

COMMENT OF THE DAY

What Is Behind The Offer?

THE real design behind Russia's offer to become associated with the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation opens up a wide field of speculation, yet the proposal can be regarded as a not illogical sequel to the Berlin Big Four conference. At Berlin, Mr Eden's plan for ensuring the security of Europe, including that of Soviet Russia, was rejected by Mr Molotov because of the existence of NATO, while the Big Three had no alternative but to turn down the Soviet all-Europe collective security scheme because it expressly forbade its signatories from being associated with any other alliance considered inimical to the interests and purposes of the proposed Russian pact, e.g. the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. In effect, therefore, Soviet Russia has come along with what it considers to be a quid pro quo compromise—Russian association with NATO in return for the Big Three's participation in an all-Europe collective security agreement. It is a curiously naive proposition to emerge from such a fertile and subtle mind as Mr Molotov's, and that is why its real meaning is not readily discernible.

It does, of course, provide some first-class propaganda material for the Communists whose countries are members of NATO, and it may make an impression on the minds of those Frenchmen, Italians and West Germans who are wavering in their convictions as to the benefits to be derived from the European Defence Community pact. Yet it requires little imagination to appreciate the incongruousness of the Russian proposal. NATO is itself a collective security alliance which owes its creation solely to the aggressive expansion of Soviet Russia in Eastern and Central Europe during the last eight years, and Mr Molotov would be the last man seriously to suggest that Russia considers an all-Europe collective security pact to be complementary to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. NATO, EDC and anything else contributing to the solidarity of the West, economically, militarily, or spiritually, is anathema to Russia because it is the one factor which stands in the way of militant Communism overrunning the free countries of Europe.

THE latest Soviet overtures cannot be dismissed as a childish piece of ingenuousness. There is, assuredly, a tangible purpose behind the gesture, though it may be some time before it makes itself apparent. It is unlikely the move is engendered by fear, any more than it is motivated by a genuine desire to compose East-West international differences. Its main purpose may be propaganda—another endeavour to convince the more credulous people of the world that the only constructive and concrete proposals for achieving a lessening of international tension emanate from Russia. Or it may have a more sinister intention; that of giving notice this is the last "peaceful approach" to the political problems of the day which the Kremlin intends to make. Blackmail is part of the Communists' stock-in-trade and they have applied it in the international field during past years with varying success. Which knowledge makes it all the more imperative that the West should resist any blandishments which could serve the purpose of weakening its solidarity.

BIG THREE H-BOMB TALKS URGED

Opposition's Motion For Commons INVITES GOVT TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE

London, Apr. 1. The Labour Opposition decided tonight to call on the British Government to take the initiative in promoting a Big Three (U.S., Britain and Russia) conference to consider anew the control and reduction of armaments.

It is to present a motion for Parliament's H-bomb debate on Monday. The motion, put forward by the official Labour Party leaders, was quickly accepted by a private meeting of the 292-member Labour Opposition. It was hailed as a triumph for Mr Clement Attlee, the Party chief, who is reported to have drafted it personally.

Mr Attlee and his principal lieutenants sought to provide a resolution that would win wide approval from the House of Commons and avert embarrassment to the Government in its delicate exchanges with the United States and the H-bomb issue.

Other elements in the party had been seeking some more critical formula which would have forced Labour into voting against the Government.

The Labour motion said it recognised that the hydrogen bomb with its immense range and power as disclosed by recent experiments constituted "a grave threat to civilisation." Any recourse to war might lead to its use.

The party therefore asked Parliament to "welcome an immediate initiative by the British Government to bring about a top-level meeting of Britain, the United States and Russia 'to consider anew the problem of the reduction and control of armaments.'"

Such a meeting, it said, could try to devise positive policies and means for removing from the peoples of the world the fear which now oppresses them, and for the strengthening of collective peace through the United Nations Organisation.

The official leaders met ahead of the meeting of the full party to put the motion into final shape. Mr Attlee will open Monday's debate on it. Sir Winston Churchill will follow with a speech in which he will state Government policy.

THE CLIMAX The debate will form the climax of a sustained Labour outcry against the United States H-bomb explosions last month at Bikini atoll in the Pacific Ocean.

It was learned tonight that the Labour leaders are hopeful the Government will feel able to allow the Opposition resolution to go through without a vote.

Mr Attlee so framed it that it does not "demand" an im-

mediate world Big Three meeting but merely said it would "welcome" an immediate British initiative for this purpose.

The resolution refrains from any criticism of the Government's policies or its conduct of exchanges with the United States since anxiety of the bomb mounted here.

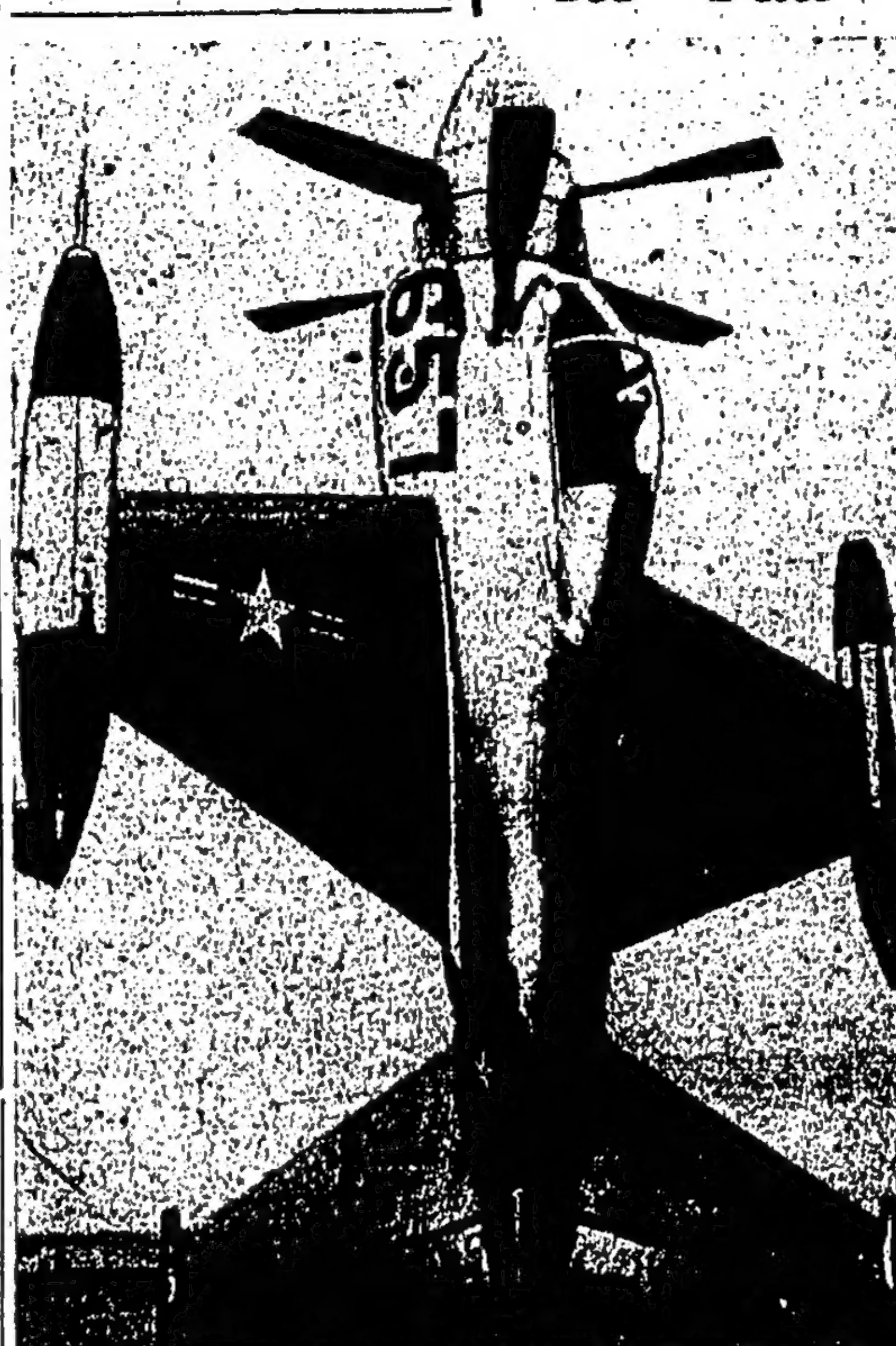
The Labour Party, embracing many divergent opinions on the H-bomb issue, was apparently won over almost immediately by what was afterwards described as a "brilliant" speech by Mr Attlee.

He told his supporters the H-bomb issue was not merely a British problem but one affecting the whole of civilisation and doubtless as great an anxiety to the people behind the Iron Curtain as those in the West.

The Labour leader also reminded the meeting of the delivery of the British Government's discussions with America on the H-bomb tests. He warned against any Parliamentary action that would increase the difficulty of that task.

His speech brought quick acceptance of the official motion. The Opposition is proceeding meantime on the assumption that the Government will not oppose its resolution and has not yet decided what its course would be if this expectation proves wrong.

Mr Herbert Morrison will wind up the Opposition case in the debate and Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, will close it for the Government.—Reuters.



This new fighter plane—able to take off and land vertically—was manufactured by the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation for the United States Navy. Powered by twin jet turbines harnessed to contra-rotating propellers, the F-104 can: (1) take off vertically from a standing start on its tail, (2) level off to fly and fight at very high speeds, (3) hover stationary in the air and descend for a pinpoint landing by backing straight down.—London Express.

"L'affaire Juin" Raises Storm In Parliament

Paris, Apr. 2. Premier Joseph Laniel last night stood firm in the face of a volley of Parliamentary questions on the dismissal of Marshal Alphonse Juin, France's No. 1 soldier.

M. Laniel gave a divided Chamber of Deputies the Government's version of "l'affaire Juin" which is blowing up into a French version of the "MacArthur affair" in the United States in 1951.

He said the Government had "no choice" but to relieve the Marshal after he had repeated at a dinner on Wednesday night the anti-EDC remarks he had made before a group of reserve officers at Auxerre last Saturday.

But in the face of heavy questioning the Premier maintained that the relieving of Marshal Juin had nothing to do with his position against the European Army plan.

"In all this affair there is no question of being for or against EDC," M. Laniel said. "It is a question of whether a servant of the state owes obedience to the state."

(The Government took its drastic action against France's only living Marshal on grounds that he had ignored a 1939 order saying that army officers may not make political speeches without seeking approval from the Government. Marshal Juin did not consult the Defence Minister before delivering his controversial remarks.)

M. Laniel also said that if the Marshal had asked permission to free his conscience it would have been granted. He might not, however, have been allowed to "free his conscience" while holding his former high military posts.

The Premier said he had tried several times to get Marshal Juin to come to explain his conduct—even sending his top secretary (whom Marshal Juin refused to see) and inviting the soldier to use a secret door to avoid newspapermen's questions.

He said Marshal Juin had objected to being "called on the carpet like a private soldier" and resented the fact that the summons had been leaked to the press.

Before the Premier spoke, Moderate Conservative Jacques Isorni, who acted as defence counsel for the late Marshal Petain, rebuked the Government for losing its "sang froid" and acting precipitately.

"FOOLS NO ONE," General Pierre Koenig, a leading Gaullist, said. "Your decision fools no one. If Marshal Juin had said he was a partisan of the EDC would he have been called before you? I think he would have been congratulated."

The Gaullists then decided on a manoeuvre to place the Government in a difficult position—abstention from the second reading of the military credits which were being debated.

For technical reasons, an absolute majority was needed to pass the credits. With the big Gaullist bloc abstaining the Government would have found it impossible to pass such a bill.—(Contd. on back page, Col. 4)

Dien Bien Phu Defenders Make Urgent Appeal For Reinforcements

Hanoi, Apr. 1. Dien Bien Phu's stand-or-die commander called tonight for "urgent" reinforcements to save the battered outpost.

Colonel Christian de Castries, the French officer charged with holding Dien Bien Phu, sent word after a day of Communist attacks that the shell-torn city could be saved if help arrived.

A spokesman for the Supreme Commander, General Henri Eugene Navarre, said he had replied that every effort would be made to get reinforcements and supplies through the Communist anti-aircraft fire ringing Dien Bien Phu. But the spokesman warned that the anti-aircraft barrage and the rebels' nearness to the city's inner lines would make a relief effort exceedingly difficult.

Communist besieging forces crashed through the northern defences of Dien Bien Phu today and seized a short-lived foothold on the airfield at the heart of the French fortress.

Colonel de Castries' outnumbered garrison battled desperately tonight against waves of howling shock troops trying to widen the breach and flood in force on to the landing strip.

The High Command said "violent battles" raged all day. The swaying struggle was said to be "very confused."

The biggest pitched battle of the Indo-China War came through its 48th hour with the central cluster of French fortifications reported holding firmly except in the northeast.

French officials estimated that this second great assault on Dien Bien Phu had cost the Reds some 6,000 casualties, including 1,000 dead, boosting their losses in the 20-day siege to more than 20,000.

French losses have not been reported, but officials admitted they were bound to be high.

Attacking three divisions strong, the Reds seized three defence positions in their punishing onslaught from the northeast and lodged a small group of shock troops on the airfield. The group was promptly annihilated.

With censorship blotting out details, a military spokesman said about one-third of the northeast defence position of the fortress was in the hands of the Communist Vietnamese troops.

Terse dispatches from Dien Bien Phu said furious battles went on most of the day along the eastern side of the stadium-shaped valley.

French Union troops counter-attacked to try to regain one lost stronghold. At the end of the afternoon came a terse message: "We attained almost all of our objectives."

At one crucial stage of the showdown battle, a battalion of the natives in the pig-plot garrison cracked up under the artillery fire. An officer said they simply could not take the fire of an intensely unknown to them, and died for shelter.

Rebel artillery pounded at two resistance centres on the east side of Dien Bien Phu while French guns lashed back at the batteries sheltered in the encircling hills.

AN INFERNO Airmen back from all-day bombing and strafing missions said the six-by-four-mile basin was an inferno of smoke and flame.

French officials acknowledged that "several" of their planes were shot down in desperate attempts to parachute the supplies to the defenders. Still others, trying to sneak into the battered airfield, were blasted apart on the steel matting.

Reinforcements of 25 American B-26 light bombers were expected at any time in Hanoi. Officials said they were promised by President Eisenhower last week.

Stories of the heroic defence of Dien Bien Phu were beginning to filter through. One gunner's corporal, his position overrun by a cadre of Reds and his crew all dead, ignored a surgeon's call to leave the battlefield.—(Contd. on back page, Col. 2)

STOP PRESS

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Lady Churchill Celebrates Birthday

London, Apr. 1. Lady Churchill, wife of the Prime Minister, celebrated her 68th birthday quietly today in her own room at Downing Street. She is being treated for neuritis in the arm. Although there was no elaborate birthday party, the Churchill family gathered at Lady Churchill's bedside to help her eat a 16-pound cake.

The cake, made by a Hungarian bakery which makes a cake for the Churchill celebration confederacy, was pale green, decorated with a flower garden and a croquet pitch—two of Lady Churchill's favourite relaxations.

Inscribed on the cake was this verse composed by the baker's son: "You stand mayhap in the shadow of the man who, with your unclouded help, history has made. You stand demurely and becomingly, and dignify that very shade."—China Mail Special.

Japanese Lighters: MP's Query

London, Apr. 1. Mr Harold Wilson, Labour Cabinet Minister, asked the Government today to ensure that Japanese cigarette lighters bearing photographs of nude women were not sold in Britain or reshipped for sale in the British colonies as intended.

The lighters figured in a court case here last month when two men and a woman appeared in court for stealing or receiving 400 Japanese lighters from a book's warehouse. Each lighter had four photographs of nude women.

Mr Wilson recalled the Magistrate had referred to them as "obscene publications in view of certain pictures... of which I will not go into details." The Socialist member added they also contravened the merchandise marks. They were not marked "made in England."

Mr John Boyd Carpenter, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said it was not the practice to prosecute under the Act in a case concerning goods in transit unless there was some direct conflict with British interests.

"On the question of obscenity, of which I will not go into details, that is a matter for consideration by the prosecuting authorities, who in this case were not the customs."

He said the lighters had been detained by the police in connection with the court case and had since been released. At no time had they been impounded by the customs authorities, he added.—Reuters.

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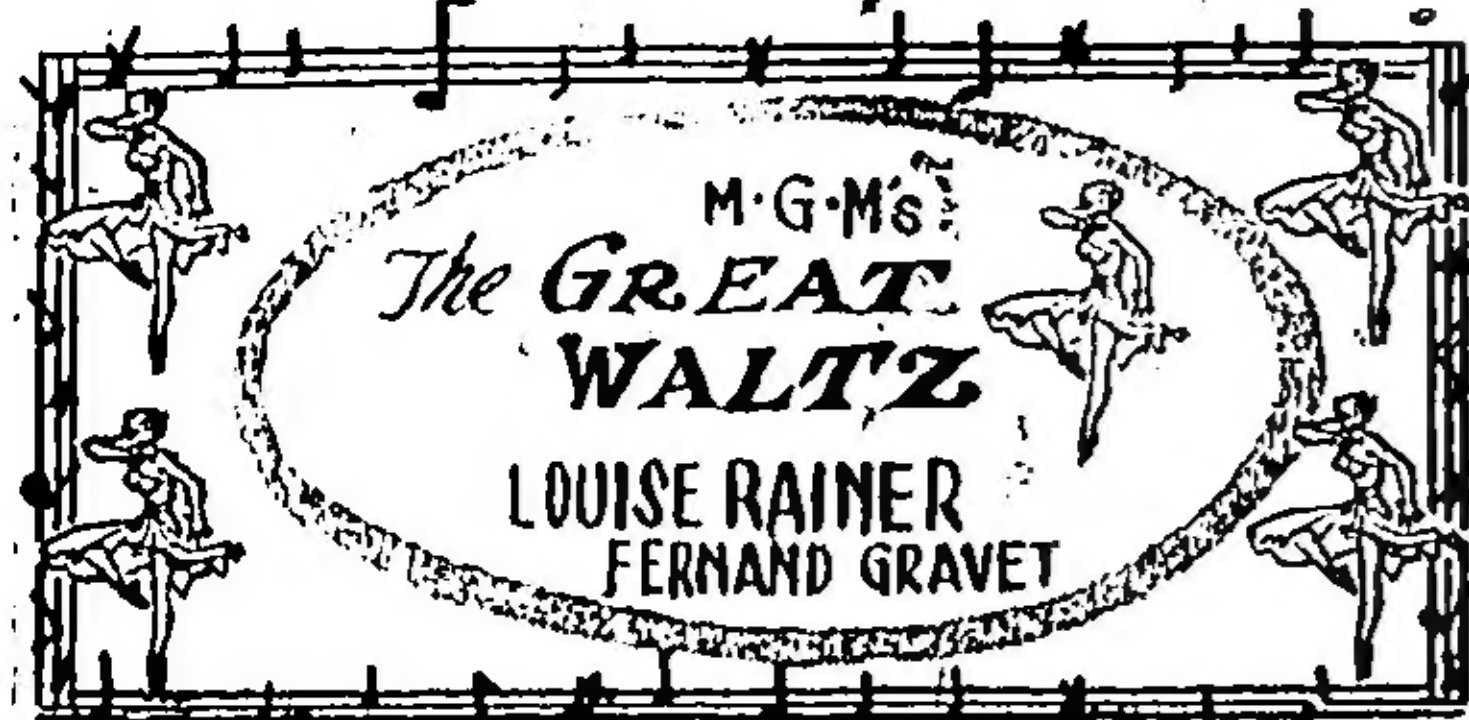
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TWO SEPARATE ISSUES AT GENEVA

Korean Talks Failure Would Not Prevent Indo-China Discussion

Washington, Apr. 1.

The United States could walk out of the discussions on a Korean peace settlement but still continue to discuss a cease-fire in Indo-China at the forthcoming Geneva conference, an American State Department official said today.

The State Department's spokesman, Mr Henry Suydam, said the Korean and Indo-Chinese phases may overlap to this extent.

Replying to questions at a news conference, he said that the American agreement with South Korea to consider walking out of the Korean talks if they prove to be getting nowhere after 90 days was still in force.

That agreement was reached as the Washington and Seoul Governments prepared for the Korean political conference before the Big Four agreed to talk about both Korea and Indo-China at Geneva. However the United States would not automatically withdraw but only consider withdrawing, he said.

Mr Suydam said that the Korean phase of the Geneva talks would, in effect, be the Korean political conference which the negotiators at Panmunjom tried unsuccessfully to arrange. He added that the United States does not expect the Korean talks to last as long as 90 days.

Mr Suydam was told about a Moscow news dispatch quoting a Pravda article which said that Communist China will be attending the Geneva conference on an equal basis with the other Big Powers.

Mr Suydam replied by quoting statements by the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, at Berlin and subsequently that Red China will not be coming as one of the five Great Powers.

He pointed out that Mr Dulles reported persistent efforts by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr

V. M. Molotov, at Berlin to secure such a status for Red China.

VIETNAM INVITED?

Mr Suydam said that the invitations to the Indo-Chinese phase of the Geneva talks have not yet been sent out. He said he did not know when they would be sent out. Mr Dulles has emphasized, the spokesman added, that the Indo-China phase was the primary responsibility of France.

"I do not want to comment on the responsibilities of the French Government," Mr Suydam added.

Mr Suydam was asked to state the United States' position on whether invitations for the Indo-China talks should be sent to the Vietnamese, who are fighting the French forces and those of the Associated States.

"I can't answer that question," Mr Suydam replied.

Mr Suydam said he has not heard of any suggestions that the United States would want to agree in advance how long the Geneva conference should last.

He said there was no such prior agreement at Berlin. What happened, he said, was that as the Berlin talks hit obstacles Mr Dulles suggested that the remaining time before his scheduled departure for the Inter-American Conference at Caracas be allocated for specific subjects. This was done, the spokesman said.—United Press.

Korea's Misgivings

Washington, Apr. 1.

The Korean Ambassador to America, Mr Y. C. Yang, today declared that South Korea had serious "misgivings" about the forthcoming Geneva conference on the Far East and fears that the Communists would use the occasion to make propaganda to confuse the Allies.

Speaking at a luncheon at the National Press Club, Mr Yang asked, "What did we fight for when the Big Four agreed on the point of asking both aggressors—Russia and China—to have a seat at the table at Geneva?"

The South Korean Government has not yet officially accepted the American invitation to the Geneva conference but is expected to do so.

Mr Yang said, "Korea now lies stark and barren before you, not because of an act of God or providence, like an earthquake, but because of an act of a little group of wicked men in the Kremlin in Moscow. Now some of these men will be on hand at the Geneva conference."

Mr Yang complained about the Soviet Union being a con-

ference sponsor. "They are not in there as an aggressor—as we Koreans wished to term them—but they are in there as one of the Big Four, the United States, Britain and France. Peace, it's wonderful!" he said.

He went on, "I only hope there are enough men's rooms in Geneva so that they may wash their blood-drenched hands before they sit down at the council table with an under-cover bell to summon, at the proper time, their stooges, the Red Chinese."

Recalling the numerous Korean unification conferences between the Russians and the Americans before the conflict broke out in June, 1950, Mr Yang pointed out that they had made no headway whatsoever.

"On the basis of past performance, therefore, what do you think one more talk with the Russians will result in?" he asked.

Declaring that his country has "paid a heavier price than any other people since the dawn of time," Mr Yang said that, nevertheless, it had engaged with the "largest battle-proven anti-Communist army in the world today."—United Press.

More Shops, More Clothes in Russia

London, Apr. 1.

Russians will be able to choose from five thousand new styles of clothes, about three thousand new styles of shoes and 800 new patterns of silk fabrics this year, the Soviet news agency Tass said today.

The people of the Soviet Union bought 21 per cent more goods last year than in 1952.

Already this year 2,500 new shops had been opened and 8,000 more would be opened by the end of the year.—China Mail Special.

Churchill's Cautious Reply

London, Apr. 1.

Sir Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, parried Socialist attempts in the House of Commons today to get him to comment on reported American representations that the proposed British list of articles for East-West trade should be reduced.

He referred his questioners to yesterday's statement by Mr Peter Thornycroft, President of the Board of Trade, on the agreement reached between Britain, France and America to exchange strategic controls.

Mr Phillips Price (Labour) asked: "Do you agree it is desirable that if the expansion of East-West trade should be part of a more general settlement with the Soviet Union then Russia should 'give something as well as to take something'?"

Members cheered when the Prime Minister replied: "Yes, sir," and added: "All expansion and every judgement towards a better state of affairs are to be welcomed."—Reuters.

Egyptian Woman Fasts



Dr Doris Shalik (38) who with twenty companions went on a hunger strike in an effort to persuade the authorities to allow women to vote for the Constituent Assembly of the new Egypt. President Nasser sent his legal adviser, Dr Hafez, to beg the women to end their fast in the hope that the Constituent Assembly, even if elected only by men, would confer electoral rights on women. The plea was in vain. Among many telegrams received by the Egyptian Suffragettes was one from Dr Edith Summerskill, the British Socialist Member of Parliament, in which Dr Summerskill said "Many British women watch with sympathy your courageous efforts to secure democratic rights."—Express Photo.

Attack On Jordan Frontier Village

Lebanon Asks For Meeting Of Security Council

New York, Apr. 1.

The Lebanon today requested a meeting of the United Nations Security Council to consider an attack made earlier this week on the Jordan frontier village of Nahaleen allegedly by Israelis.

The Lebanese delegate made the request to Russia's Andrei Vyshinsky, current President of the Security Council.

Lebanon asked for the meeting on behalf of Jordan. Nine Jordanians were killed in the attack.

Mr Edward A. Rizk, alternate Lebanese delegate, asked for "urgent" consideration of the matter in his letter to Mr Vyshinsky.

The Soviet Foreign Minister has not so far set a date for the Council to meet but it could assemble at any time from tomorrow.—Reuters.

Chinese Deportees Arrive in Canton

Paris, Apr. 1.

The Communist New China News Agency reported today that 314 Chinese nationals "illegally deported" from Malaya by the British authorities, had arrived in Canton on March 29.

The Agency said this was the 20th batch of such Chinese deportees.—France-Press.

Another German Ship Coming To The Far East

Hamburg, Apr. 1.

The 8,000-ton Hamburg flagship of the West German Hamburg-America line, left here today for Yokohama on her maiden trip.

The Hamburg is the first of three freighter-passenger ships to be put into service by the company. She accommodates 83 passengers.

The Frankfurt will be put into service on July 15 and the Hanover later this year.

The Schwabenstein, also a freighter-passenger vessel which opened the East Asian lines served jointly by Hamburg-America and the Norddeutscher Lloyd, is expected back from her first trip on May 18.—Reuters.

Lord Montagu's Friend Found Not Guilty

Winchester, Hampshire, Apr. 1.

Mr Kenneth Edwin Hume, 27, a film director, on the direction of the Judge, was found not guilty in court today on two charges of indecent assault against boy scouts.

The prosecution offered no evidence against him and he was discharged.

Prosecuting Counsel pointed out that the witnesses included the two boys who gave evidence and were cross-examined at Winchester last December when Lord Montagu was acquitted on one charge and a jury failed to reach agreement on a second against him relating to one of the boys.

The court last week ordered the indictment against Lord Montagu on which the jury failed to reach agreement to remain on the file. No further proceeding was to be taken without leave of the court.

The Counsel for Mr Hume said today that he wished it to be known that he denied the charges against him and if the need had arisen, he would have repeated the denial on oath in a court.

The Counsel also said that Mr Hume had nothing to do with the events mentioned in last week's trial here of Lord Montagu and two other men, and was not one of the unnamed persons then referred to "whose identity was veiled in mystery."

Lord Montagu was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment and Michael Pitt-Rivers and Peter Wildblood to 18 months' imprisonment each at Winchester last week for homosexual offences.—China Mail Special.

Death Of A Chimney-maker

Tokyo, Apr. 1.

A Japanese chimney-maker showing his seven-year-old son how to commit suicide gave a tragically death-like performance.

At the insistence of his son, the Japanese made a house and hung it from a ceiling beam.

The father then slipped and hanged himself. — China Mail Special.

Filipino Wants Sydney Legation Closed

Manila, Apr. 1.

Representative Manuel Enverga told the Philippine Congress today that the "White Australia" policy was derogatory to the United Nations charter, precepts and principles.

Mr Enverga is the leader of a group of Congressmen asking that the Philippine legation in Sydney, Australia, be closed.

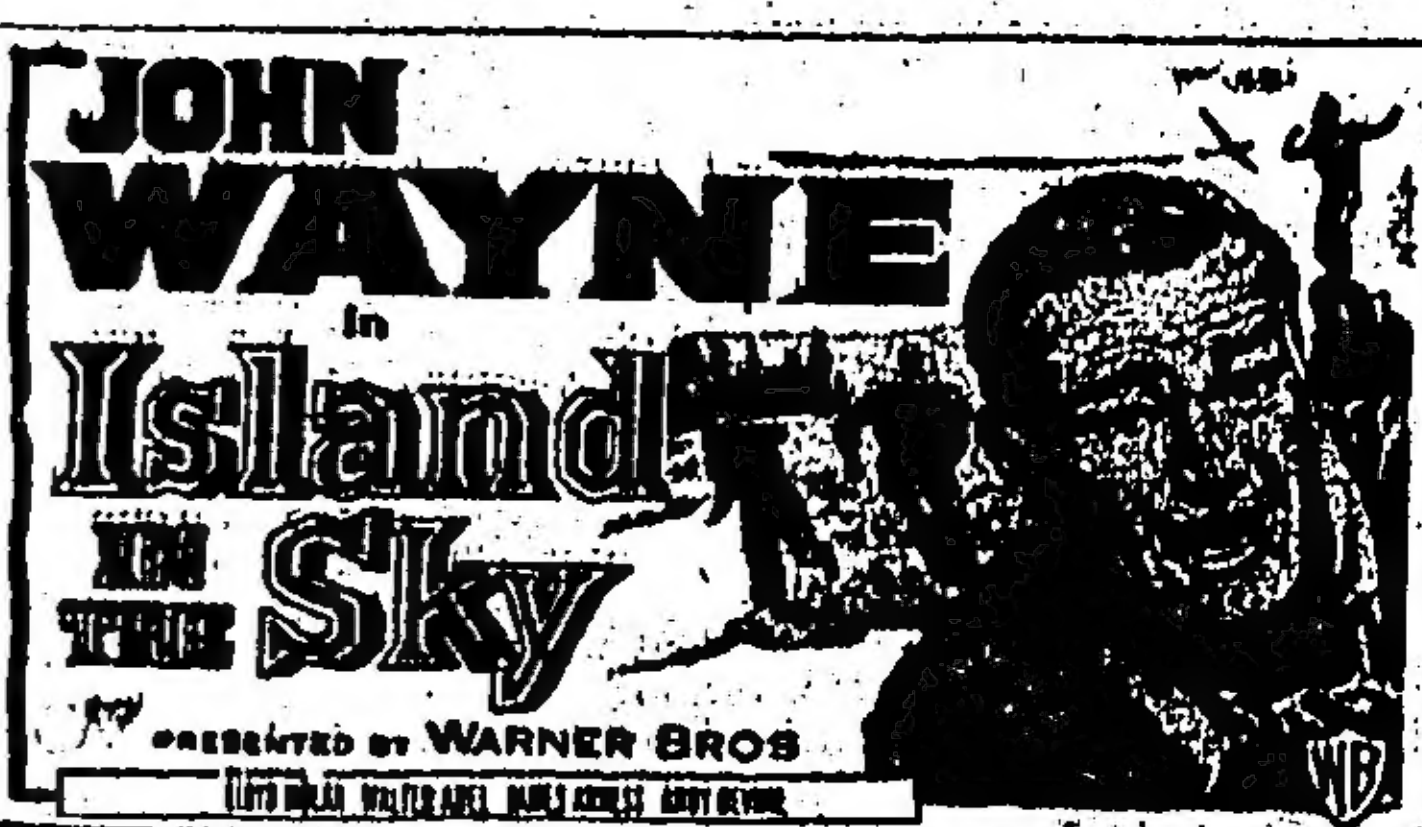
He said: "International understanding, goodwill and friendship among nations cannot thrive in an atmosphere of discrimination on the ground of racial differences. Superiority of the white man is a myth."

"Racial discrimination strengthens the positions of Russia to the weakness of the democracies. This is one argument which causes Asian countries to sympathize with Communism."

He called for the Philippine diplomatic mission in Australia to be transferred to some South-East Asian country and only its trade mission to be maintained there.—Reuters.

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FEARFUL REACTION TO H-BOMB PHOTOS

Horror Of Film, Pictures Rouses New York "SCREAMING" HEADLINES OF CITY NEWSPAPERS

More Important Than McCarthy

Washington, Apr. 1. In the sudden seizure of public attention by the H-bomb, there was still a moment for Press and Radio - TV commentators to notice one small thing. The H-bomb blew Senator Joseph McCarthy out of President Eisenhower's news conference. For the first time in four weeks the Senator was not mentioned at all during the presidential conference.—United Press.

Egypt Refuses To Return Israeli Soldier

Cairo, Apr. 2. Egypt refuses to return the Israeli soldier captured in the Gaza Zone. Lt.-Colonel Mahmoud Riad, head of the Egyptian delegation to the Palestine Armistice Commission, told the Press today.

Lt.-Col Riad said the soldier was captured when Israeli forces attacked the Egyptian border on March 25.

The Armistice Commission, meeting under the American, Mr. Robert Hume, in the Egyptian complaint had decided yesterday that Egypt must return the soldier before noon today.

The Commission considered that Egypt had violated the clauses of the Armistice.

Lt.-Col Riad said that this repudiation of the Egyptian complaint by the Commission was contrary to the agreement and that the position taken by the U.N. observers showed that they were under Israeli influence.

The delegate contended that the Israeli soldier would not be returned unless the Egyptian appeal was taken into consideration.—France-Press.

ANOTHER INCIDENT

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 1. Arabs infiltrating from the Egyptian-held Gaza strip opened fire today on an Israeli patrol, an Army spokesman stated here today.

No Israeli casualties were reported, he added. He said Israel had protested to the Mixed Armistice Commission.—France-Press.

New York, Apr. 2. The H-Bomb horror that has aroused Europe and Asia for two weeks was driven home to Americans for the first time today with screaming newspaper headlines, photographs and diagrams depicting what all called "unbelievable."

Not since the first photographs of the atom-bomb test at Bikini Atoll in July, 1945—when cameras caught a ship being sucked up by the bomb's force—have Americans shown such reaction to nuclear experiments.

Yesterday's statements by President Eisenhower and the Atomic Energy Commission Chairman Lewis Strauss touched off demands for the immediate release of the 1952 Hydrogen-bomb pictures which had been scheduled for April 7 showing. One columnist broke the release. Newspapers, radio and television then took matters in their own hands and by mid-morning the 1952 H-bomb story and pictures were spread across the country.

Samples of what impact the news had were:

The New York World Telegram devoted the top half of its paper to H-bomb pictures. Three-fourths of the remaining space was given to H-bomb stories. Another full page of H-bomb photos was published.

A headline in 1 1/2 inch type said: "What the H-Bomb Did." Other page headlines were: "Hell-On-Earth Creation Destroys Beyond Belief" and "No Defence — H-Blast Perils Battle Capital: 'Clear The City' To Be The Cry."

The New York Journal American headlined in red ink: "Film of H-Bomb Horror" and in two-inch black type: "Fiery, Crushing Fury. Sub-headlines included: "Public Must Know The Facts."

The tabloid New York Post published an H-bomb picture on its tabloid front page. Its headlines were: "H-Bomb Alters Civil Defence Plans. City Would Be Evacuated," and "An Island Dies," a reference to the obliteration of Nagasaki island in the 1952 test. It called all this "The Grim Truth."

The World Telegram & Sun demanded editorially: "Where do we stand? What does it get us?" It said that the United States was ahead "in this hideous race toward possible extermination only because the

Russians... have been hotly breathing down our necks." It said the United States had gained a weapon which is "an awful deterrent to a war-maker," had gained the capacity for massive retaliation and laid the groundwork for the peaceful use of atom power.

WAVE OF JITTERS

"But what else have we done?" it asked. "We have set off around the world a wave of jitters, perhaps exaggerated, perhaps unjustified... the psychological impact cannot be discounted. It is a factor which must be measured as we take a good, square look at where the H-bomb has brought us. That re-appraisal now is necessary."

All the leading Press, radio and TV commentators devoted themselves to the H-bomb today. From the earliest network Radio-TV programmes at 7 a.m.—the hour when Americans are beginning the day the H-bomb story was told over and over again.

The stress was on the grim facts brought home yesterday by Mr. Strauss that there is "no defence" for any city. Civilian defence plans which had called for home-shelter and partial evacuation measures were called "obsolete." Only "total evacuation" of cities would save people, the experts told the public.

This hit hard in the big cities. But as yet there was no reaction from outlying areas which would be covered by the H-bomb "fall-out" range of atom dust.

Americans had the H-bomb power described in graphic terms. The 1952 H-bomb cloud would rise 49 times as high as the Eiffel Tower, three times as high as Mount Blanc. The crater it blasted in the floor of the ocean would hold 74 structures the size of the Roman Colosseum.

"Save The People"

Washington, Apr. 1. Civil defence officials hoped today that the awesome prospect of a single bomb knocking out a major city would help their campaign to prepare the nation for the H-bomb era.

They do not want to capitalise on fear. But they hoped that the headlines would drive home the idea that it is better to prepare now than to be sorry later if the bombs begin to fall.

Evacuation of the target area before the bombs can drop is a key point in the planning of the Federal Civil Defence Administration, Mr. Val Peterson.

The only alternative, as Mr. Peterson sees it, is to dig underground vast catacombs of steel and concrete which would cost billions of dollars and take years to build. Congress has steadfastly refused to provide money for such underground shelters.

Nor is the country prepared for evacuation. Peterson thinks it would take a minimum of two hours' warning to get people out of critical target areas. The best he could hope for, on the basis of present continental defenses, is about 15 minutes. There is no guarantee of any warning at all.

Civil defence planners estimated it would be another 18 months to two years before they can reasonably expect the nation

Those figures were for the 1952 bomb. The March 1, 1953 H-bomb was far more powerful. The destruction area of the 1953 bomb in a big city would cover a radius of three miles, with moderate damage out to seven miles and light damage as far as 10 miles. If dropped from a plane, however, and exploded at an altitude of 2,000 feet, the bomb's destruction would spread over a radius of four miles or an area of 50 square miles, with severe damage over a diameter of 16 miles or 200 square miles in area; moderate damage over a diameter of 28 miles or an area of 600 square miles, and partial damage over a diameter of 32 miles or an area of 800 square miles.

Each city could estimate its own peril. London has an area of 692.9 square miles, Berlin 344, New York 319.1, Tokyo, 221, Moscow 125, Rome 96.8, Cairo 85, Birmingham (England) 80, Paris 41, Bombay 30, Peking 25.

Fire damage from the 1953 bomb would be greater than blast damage, however. The incendiary action would spread over a diameter of 60 miles, the experts said—an area of 2,000 square miles.

Even with these figures just being put forward, reports indicate that the current H-bomb series in the Pacific will end with the explosion of a bomb expected to be twice as powerful as the March 1 bomb.

There was cold comfort in the matter-of-fact assertions that H-bombs can now be built at a "fraction" of previous cost. Materials are used that cost only a few dollars per pound instead of thousands of dollars an ounce. One report said that an H-bomb could be built for \$10. This major action could properly be considered to add to some degree to the war potential of the other side," he said.

"But if you approach the problem from the 'long haul' point of view—of great danger, but no imminent danger—then you gauge your total economic policies on the basis that more (Western) strength and on the basis that an increase in the movement of people and goods and contacts might improve the prospect that you might never have a third world war."

Mr. Stassen said he personally favoured increased sales of peaceful goods by the West to the Soviet Union because he did not consider there was any danger of imminent war.

"If it was considered that there was a strong possibility of World War III breaking out in a matter of months, then any type of goods going across the Iron Curtain could properly be considered to add to some degree to the war potential of the other side," he said.

Mr. Stassen gave this definition of "peaceful" goods: "Items that have direct or significant value in military and nuclear power items which are advanced technologically and therefore have a technological significance in relationship to trade and materials in which there is a critical deficiency inside the Soviet."

The recent annual report of the Civil Defence Administration estimated that one megaton bomb—50 times as powerful as the A-bombs used in World II—would virtually destroy everything within 11 square miles and kill 90 out of every 100 persons in the area. The H-bomb that was exploded in the Pacific testing ground on March 1 has been described as being 12 to 14 megatons—equivalent to 12,000,000 to 14,000,000 tons of TNT.

Discussing recently the possibility of 10,000,000 killed and 10,000,000 hospitalized in the event of a September Soviet attack, Mr. Stassen asked: "Are you going to do with 10,000,000 corpses?"

Naguib's Royal Visitor



The 52-year-old King of Saudi Arabia (left), who succeeded to the throne on the death of his father in November, arrives in Cairo, on a state visit and is welcomed by President Naguib (right). The King's visit lasted a week.—Express Photo.

Mr Harold Stassen Says

'More East-West Trade Might Improve Prospects Of Peace'

Washington, Apr. 1. The Director of the Foreign Operations Administration, Mr. Harold Stassen, said today the British, French, United States agreement to increase East-West trade might improve the prospect for world peace.

Mr. Stassen was reporting to a press conference on his visit to London this week when the three countries agreed on cuts in the present list of goods embargoed for sale to the countries of the Soviet bloc.

Mr. Stassen emphasised that the London talks did not deal with individual items to be taken off the embargoed list but with general principles, definitions and criteria drawn up by technicians of the three countries to consider.

He said it was too early to estimate if the London talks would lead to a substantial increase in East-West trade and added: "There might well be a continuing difference" between the United States and Britain and France but he expressed optimism for final agreement in two or three months' time.

Mr. Stassen said he personally favoured increased sales of peaceful goods by the West to the Soviet Union because he did not consider there was any danger of imminent war. "If it was considered that there was a strong possibility of World War III breaking out in a matter of months, then any type of goods going across the Iron Curtain could properly be considered to add to some degree to the war potential of the other side," he said.

Asked how this differed from earlier definitions by the United States Government, Mr. Stassen replied: "We moved a bit away from a very strict position. The British moved towards us, where we were concessions on each side (in the London talks) to reach an agreed position."

Pressed to explain earlier Anglo-American differences on trade with the Soviet bloc, Mr. Stassen said: "I do not feel it would be very constructive or desirable to describe an earlier disagreement between friends when they have negotiated an agreement."

Mr. Stassen said the new policy on East-West trade would be entirely consistent with the United States Battle Act which gives President Eisenhower power to cut off United States assistance to any country selling "strategic" goods to Communist countries.

US EXPORTS
"We will operate within the discretionary power that the Battle Act provides. At the same time we will continue our efforts to further improve the economic strength and defence capability of the free nations and will further concentrate upon the other important factors that can lead to expanded trade."

He replied he could not make an estimate but added that there were a number of licensing restrictions which might be re-examined in the light of the new policy.—Reuter.

How They Killed Notorious "General Cargo"

Nairobi, Apr. 1. Security forces have killed "General Cargo", one of Kenya's most audacious Mau Mau leaders, and at least 25 other terrorists in a two-day running battle, it was announced here today. Scores of other terrorists have been wounded in running fights, which are still going on as security forces pursue the scattered gangs.

"General Cargo", a former Nairobi newspaper seller, was killed with several other terrorists when his gang, pursued by police, ran headlong into a road-block, manned by military police and Kikuyu Home Guards late last night. A 22-year-old District Officer, Ian Frank Patterson, died in one of the clashes yesterday, while leading a platoon of Kikuyu Home Guards.

Patterson had been seconded to the administration only a week ago from the Kenya Regiment. His patrol killed about 15 terrorists before he was wounded in the lung. He died shortly afterwards before doctors and an ambulance called up by radio could reach him.

Almost 700 British troops of the 80th Brigade, police and Kikuyu Home Guards were thrown into the widespread hunt for "General Cargo's" gang—estimated at 200 to 300 strong—in the Fort Hall reserve.

The killing of "General Cargo" followed a week's intensive operations by security forces. Cargo was in recent months the most active and ruthless of the Mau Mau gang leaders operating in the south-east slopes of the Aberdares and extending into the Fort Hall Reserve. He personally led practically all the raids of his gang and sounded attacks by a fanfare of bugles. A skilful tactician, he often confused defenders of Kikuyu and Home Guard posts by shouting out orders and passwords used by the King's African Rifles.

General "Cargo" was between 30 and 35 years old. Slimly built, he was about five feet seven inches tall. He was a Corporal in the King's African Rifles in the last war.—Reuter.



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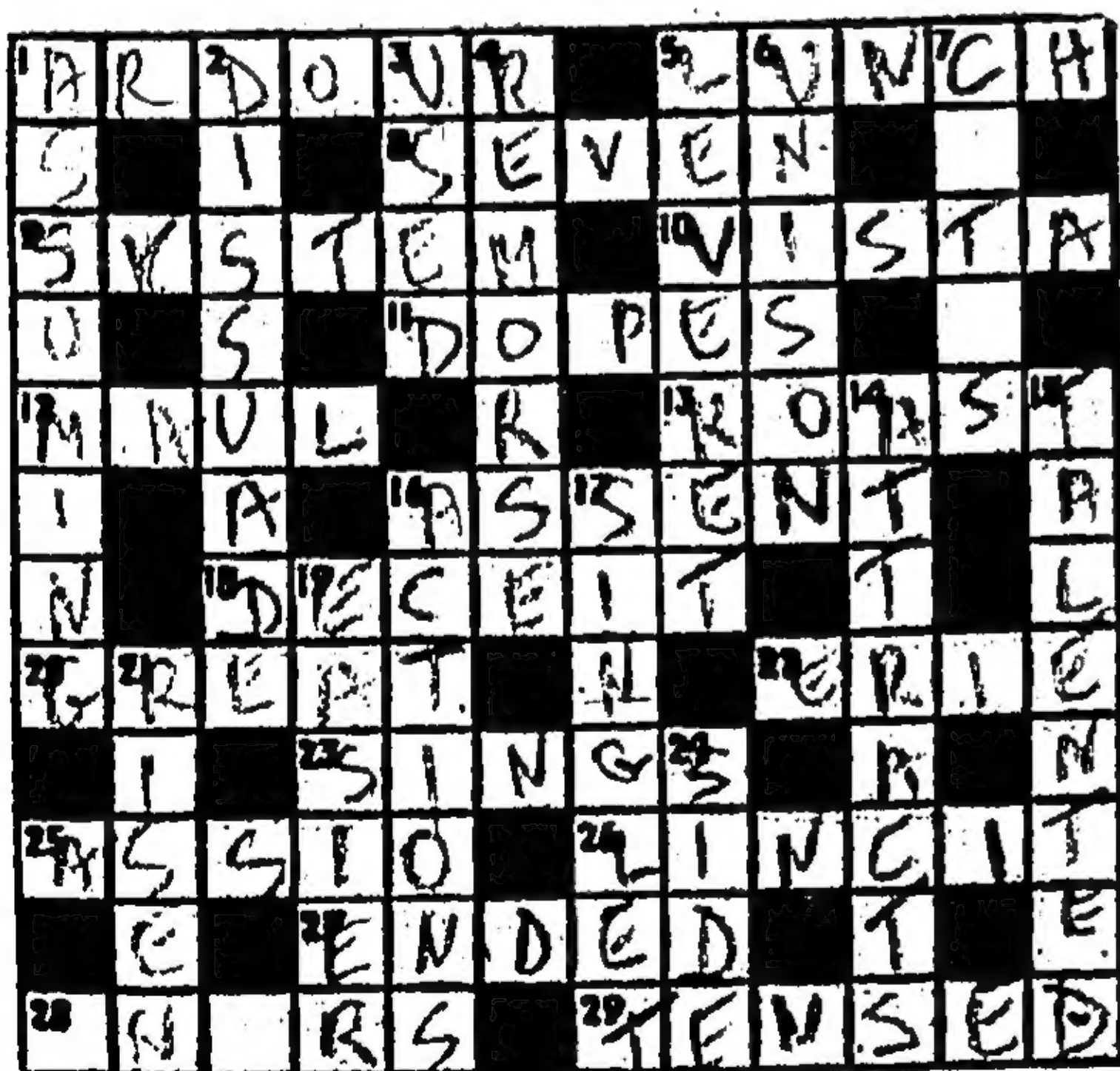
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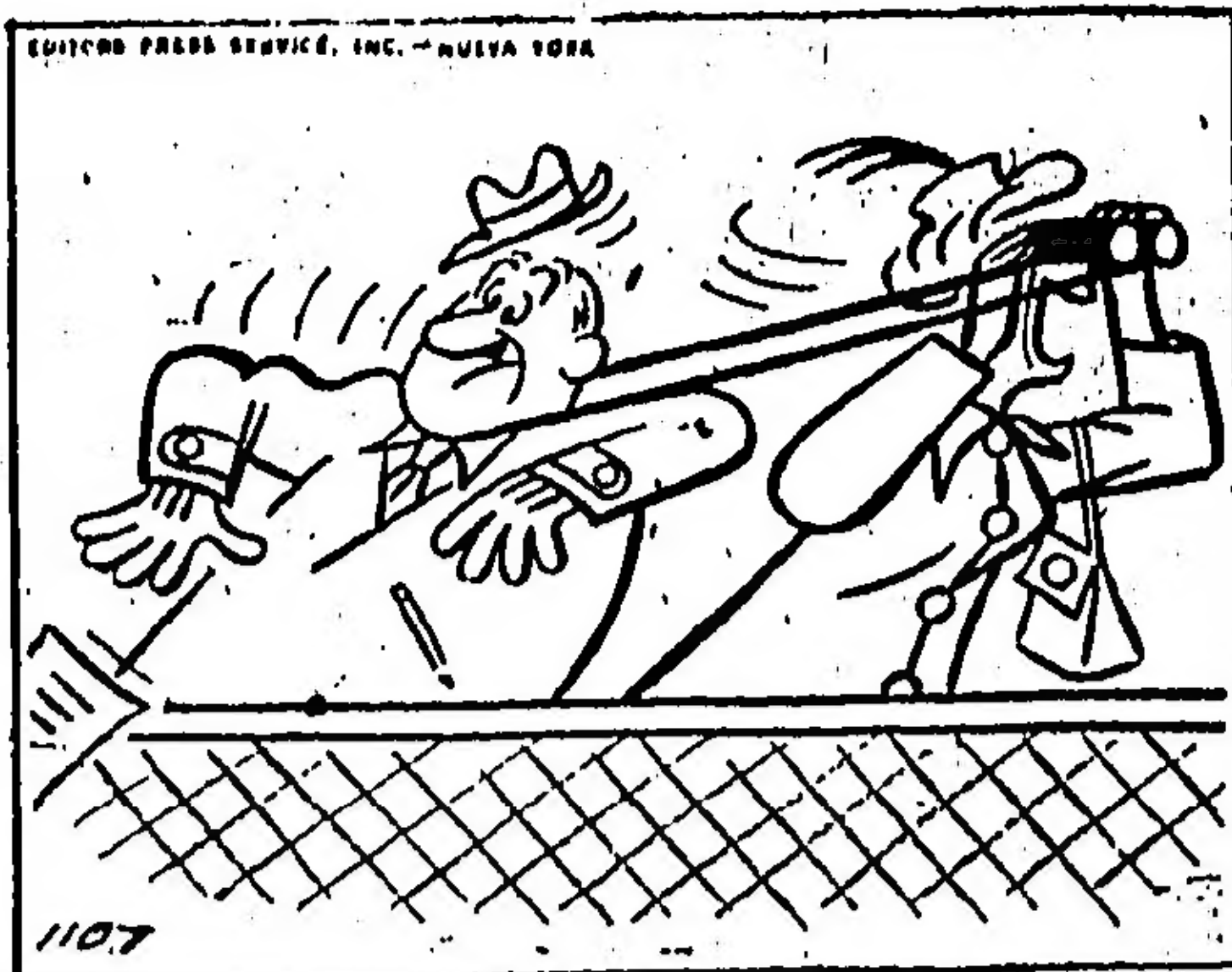
ACROSS

- 1 Zeal (6).
- 2 Meek (3).
- 3 Numerical (5).
- 4 Method (6).
- 5 Watch (8).
- 6 Drugs (8).
- 7 Manhandle (4).
- 8 Cook (3).
- 9 Fraud (6).
- 10 Large (6).
- 11 Lake (4).
- 12 Chants (5).
- 13 Museum piece (6).
- 14 Sticker (6).
- 15 Finished (6).
- 16 Endure (5).
- 17 Yeast (6).

DOWN

- 1 Taking for granted (6).
- 2 Advice against (8).
- 3 Accustomed (4).
- 4 Pain of guilt (7).
- 5 Young animal (7).
- 6 Harmony (6).
- 7 Copies (5).
- 8 Essays (8).
- 9 Gilted (6).
- 10 Battles (7).
- 11 Vest (7).
- 12 Not so difficult (6).
- 13 Whiten (6).
- 14 Flank (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD — Across: 1. Daring, 5. Look, 8. Utter, 9. Meek, 11. Bare, 12. Trade, 14. Vain, 15. Bait, 16. Oily, 18. Rent, 20. Landed, 21. Image, 23. Daring, 26. Good, 27. Greek, 28. Menace, Down: 1. Daring, 2. Port, 3. Ruse, 4. Treaty, 5. Leisure, 6. Opulent, 7. Induce, 10. Organ, 13. Bolting, 14. Vibrant, 15. Reflect, 17. Jealous, 18. Spacious, 19. Tidy, 22. Diva, 24. Cane.



"Come on, Lady Fair!"

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

THE official decision that tea-urns are "more useful, if less glamorous, than double-spouted brown tea-pots" will disappoint those who like to pour their tea out of one spout and back into the pot through the other.

The reason for the decision is said to be that people made tea out of one spout and poured it into a double-spouted pot, and then poured it back into the pot through the other spout.

Koolukattati praises gas-container For Covent Garden?

Koolukattati, a famous Indian, who gave a horse-tail to the Covent Garden Club for his tribe, none of whom can read, has been introduced to the gas-container. He was told that it was a "gas" container, and he was told that it was a "gas" container.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

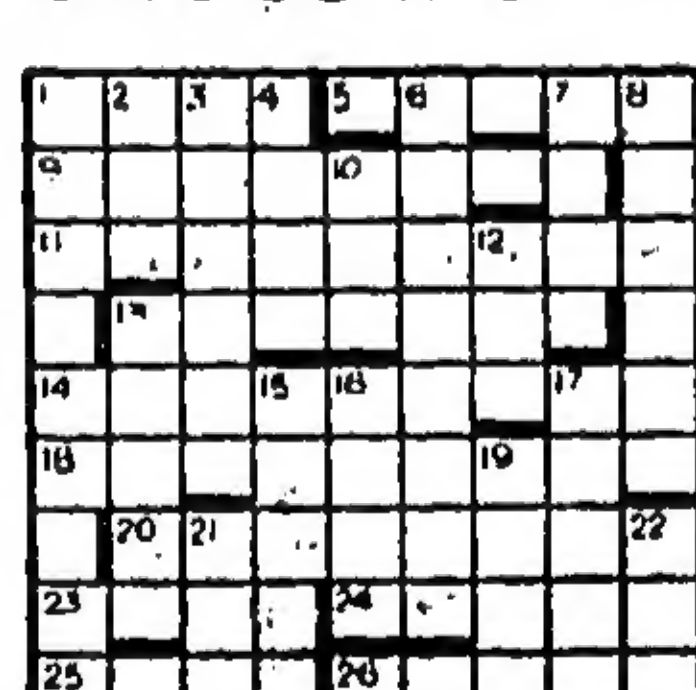
FRIDAY, APRIL 2

BORN today, you've got a real touch of genius in your makeup. If you work things right, they are little you desire than you may not achieve. You are a good judge of human nature and an executive. You are very likely to succeed at an early age. If you want to go into business, you will even make a success of that. In fact, whatever you turn your head to, you seem to work out all right. You seem to have been born under a really lucky star. True, there is a great deal of force in your birthday, but it will be little or no avail unless you learn to take full advantage of it. You are a good judge of human nature and an executive. You are very likely to succeed at an early age. If you want to go into business, you will even make a success of that. In fact, whatever you turn your head to, you seem to work out all right. You seem to have been born under a really lucky star. True, there is a great deal of force in your birthday, but it will be little or no avail unless you learn to take full advantage of it.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

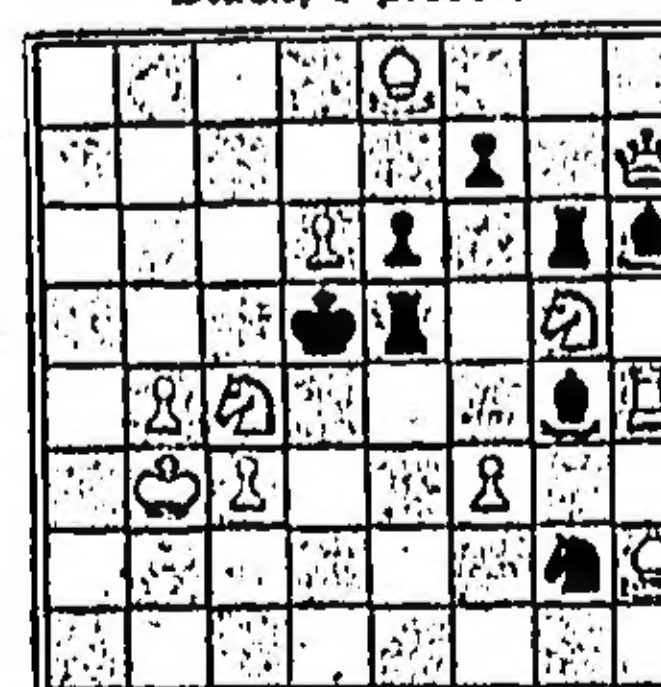
ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) — Pay strict attention to all details. They can prove important all out of proportion to their actual size. TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 20) — Restlessness and the desire to make a move somewhere. Just for a change, in to be avoided today. GEMINI (May 21-June 21) — If you have done a good week's work, then you have earned a change of scene. Relax pleasantly. CANCER (June 22-July 22) — Cultivate a pleasing personality; you will find that you can carry out a considerable distance toward your goal today. LEO (July 23-Aug. 23) — Keep abreast of current events. Perhaps you need to inform yourself on something which affects your own life. VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) — Stick to practical ideas. Don't waste your time on things which are too visionary, even illusory. LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) — Perhaps you have some odd jobs to do around the house. This is an excellent day to get them done. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23) — Get into the country, if you can. Visit a friend who lives out of town, if you are city-bound. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23) — The home front is important over this week-end. Finish home chores so that you can go somewhere tomorrow.

CROSSWORD



Across
1. A change of this is necessary as you drive away. (4)
2. The heart of Derek. (3)
3. His 13th and the way it catches you. (6)
4. Sure about. (4)
5. Little twinkler. (4)
6. Morsé. (4)
7. With Jones it makes a game. (3)
8. Beginning of 14 Across gets mixed. (3)
9. War to it is bitter. (5)
10. Work early and this made Jack dull. (4)
11. Enrich up with these in the summer—they're cheaper now. (4)
12. Down
13. Rosa grins (anag.). (9)
14. The heart of Derek. (3)
15. His 13th and the way it catches you. (6)
16. Sure about. (4)
17. Little twinkler. (4)
18. Morsé. (4)
19. With Jones it makes a game. (3)
20. Beginning of 14 Across gets mixed. (3)
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23. Enrich up with these in the summer—they're cheaper now. (4)

CHESS PROBLEM

By J. ZALDO
Black, 3 pieces.

White, 11 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Kt-Q6, any; 2. Q, R, Kt, or P mates.

WHAT'S HIS LINE?

DAN H. GATES
Re-arrange the letters to spell his occupation.
(Solution on Page 10)

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Tricky Hand Will Test Your Ingenuity

By OSWALD JACOBY

PUT yourself mentally in the East seat when you examine today's hand. It is up to you to defeat the slightly ambitious contract of six spades. Get a good grip on yourself, for it won't be easy.

West opens the ace of diamonds, and you have no problem. You drop the king, and wait for the next play.

West continues with the queen of diamonds, and South thinks for a long time. Finally, declarer ruffs in dummy with the ace of spades. It is clear that South has decided to play you for the queen of spades, and that he will sooner or later lead the jack of spades through your queen.

What do you discard on this second round of diamonds? Make up your mind before you read on.

If you discard a club, declarer will lead the jack of spades through you and will pick up your trumps. He will then cash dummy's three top clubs and ruff a club. This will set up dummy's last club, and South can get to dummy with a high heart to cash the last club. In short, South will make his

NORTH 29			
♠	A J 10 4		
♥	A K 9		
♦	7		
♣	A K Q 9 5		
WEST (D)			
♠	None	♥	Q 7 5 3
♥	8 6 4 3	♦	Q J 10
♦	A Q 10 9 8 5 3 2	♣	K
♣	None	♠	A J 10 7 6 4
SOUTH			
♠	K 9 8 6 2		
♥	7 5 2		
♦	J 4		
♣	8 3 2		
East-West vul.			
West	North	East	South
3	4	4	4
5	5	5	5
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ A			

slam easily if you discard a club on the second round of diamonds.

Let's try again. Suppose you discard the ten of hearts. Declarer will still lead the jack of spades through you and will draw all of your trumps. He will then cash the ace and king of hearts, dropping your queen and jack. This will set up dummy's nine of hearts, and South will have no further problems.

Only one possibility is left, but this happens to be the right play. You must discard a trump on the second round of diamonds. Declarer takes the spade finesse through you, of course, but you don't have to discard until dummy does. If dummy discards a club, you can like-wise discard a club; if dummy discards a heart, you can do the same.

You cannot be squeezed if you simply copy dummy's discard. The whole point of the defense is to discard a trump at the second trick so as to postpone a heart or club discard until you are in position to copy the dummy.

♥ ♣ ♦ ♠ CARD SENSE ♣ ♦ ♠ ♥

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1 Heart Pass 2 Diamonds Pass
2 Hearts Pass ?

You, South, hold: Spades K-J-6, Hearts 8-5, Diamonds A-K-J-9-2, Clubs 8-6-4. What do you do?

A—Did two no-trump. With 12 points in high cards you must make a second try for game. You're not delighted to bid no-trump with one suit wide open, but this bid is nevertheless the best description of your hand.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-J-6, Hearts 8-5, Diamonds A-K-J-9-2, Clubs 8-6-4. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

DUMB BELLS



Which One To Choose?



These two young ladies find choosing difficult when surrounded by this collection of new hat creations for the Spring season.—Express Photo.

DON'T CALL THAT CORSET A CORSET!

New York. THEY'RE trying to coin a new name for a corset — because women don't like the present one.

One foundation garment company (Gossard) began the hunt after its research department reported women objected to the old-fashioned sound of the word corset, yet weren't entirely pleased with girdle as a replacement.

The new term must be descriptive, must give an immediate

impression of slimming results, and yet must not be an intimate term that would take foundation garments back to the days of "unmentionables" in conversation. These are requirements set up by the company.

"We're considering the word 'sheath,' said one executive.

If that term sounds like a far cry from a corset, then look at some of the other changes the years have brought. Not long ago women called garters "suspenders," brassieres "waists," and girdles "pantie waists."—United Press.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Milkman's Flying Trip

—Giddap Took Him Up to the Milky Way—

By MAX TRELL

CHRISTOPHER CRICKET said to Knarf and Hand, shadow — children, the turned-around names: "I had one of the strangest adventures of my life last night. It all had to do with Giddap the Milk Wagon Horse."

"Nothing ever happens to Giddap the Milk Wagon Horse," said Knarf. "He just pulls the milk wagon."

Unadventurous Horse

Hand added: "Giddap the Milk Wagon Horse is the most unadventurous horse that ever lived. Christopher. For years and years and years, he's been going up one street and down another. I'm surprised to hear you say that anything strange happened with him in it."

"But it did," repeated Christopher. "Just let me tell you what happened and you'll see for yourself."

Christopher Cricket now sat himself down comfortably on a loose brick at one side of the fireplace. Then he began his story:

"It was about the middle of the night. Everybody in the house was fast asleep. As a matter of fact, I was fast asleep, too. But I'm a very light sleeper. If you drop a pin, I'm likely to hear it."

"Well, I suddenly heard a voice coming from outside the window. I woke up at once and listened. It was the voice of the Milkman. 'Giddap, my friend,' he was saying, 'a terrible thing has just happened. I've left milk at every doorstep along all the streets of the neighborhood. But just now a lady whose little boy is sick asked me to leave a bottle of milk for him. But we haven't got any

more milk. All we've got is this empty bottle. Where are you going to find milk to fill that empty bottle, so that we can leave it for the sick boy?"

Giddap's Answer

"That's easy," I heard Giddap answering the Milkman. "We'll go to the Milky Way."

"My goodness!" Hand exclaimed. "The Milky Way's in the sky!"

"I know," said Christopher. "It surprised me, too, to hear Giddap saying that. So I rushed outside. I got there just in time to see an extraordinary thing happening! Giddap was throwing off his blanket. And when it was off, he started spreading out a pair of magnificent wings."

"A milk wagon horse with wings!" Knarf exclaimed.

"Yes," said Christopher Cricket, "and he knew how to use them, too. He flapped them up and down and the milk wagon started rising off the ground. 'Away we go! Giddap!'

cried the Milkman, as he held on to the reins. I jumped on the back of the milk wagon," said Christopher, "and the next moment we were sailing over the roof tops."

"Higher and higher we went — higher than the clouds... and finally we were sailing through the Milky Way. The milk came down like great thick raindrops. Then I saw the Milkman hold out the empty bottle. In a moment, it was filled with the drops of milk. And some of the drops were cream."

"And down again we went! For now the Milkman had a full bottle of milk. We came gently down, past the moon and past the clouds, and landed gently, right on the street where we live."

"Wings Covered Again"

"Well done," Giddap, my friend, said the Milkman, as he threw the blanket over the old horse again and covered his wings. But the old horse didn't say anything. He just stood there, watching the Milkman walk down the street and put the bottle of milk on the doorstep of the sick boy's house. And when the Milkman came back

KEEP IN TRIM

By IDA JEAN KAIN

It's Fun To Accept A Fashion Challenge

ENCIRCLE your waist with middle fingers on each hand, thumbs pointing back, index fingers reaching for the ribcage, other fingers spanning below the waistline. That's vital territory this season. The trend in spring styles is definitely toward the long, fitted torso line, which calls for a fluid, flexible figure. It's a healthy trend, for to keep flexible is to keep young.

UNBROKEN LINE

To overcome any velvety toward exercise, step into a shop and try on a Princess dress, one that has an unbroken line and hugs the entire middle measurement. I'll tell you in on a secret: when I slipped into one, holding my breath, the salesgirl remarked matter of factly, "This would have to be let out through the midriff... eased a bit." Yes indeed... quite a bit! In this style there can be no secret about your figure, and it was plain to be seen, I'd settled. So, by way of discipline, I accepted the challenge, ordered the dress, but left it in the shop to be fitted in two weeks. It's just the incentive I needed to give zest to stretch-bend-swings.

The charm of this style is in the smooth, supple flow of the figure. To wear it beautifully, the figure must be flexible and controlled through the middle measurement. Today's rhythms aim toward increased flexibility and they're fun to do.

WITH A TUNE

Turn on a slow tune, arch arms overhead, and pull up snugly through the mid-section... bending toward the right, then toward the left, free and easy.

Then try a toe-touching step forward routine: Touch, step and circle alternate arms backward, pulling shoulders smoothly into line as you step forward. Make sure to lift with the middle muscles, keeping the control there. The rhythm is a touch, step, circle arm backward... then, touch, step with the other foot, circling with other arm as you glide the length of the room.

To increase the side bend, get some latex action. Standing

with feet wide apart, arms arched overhead, swing to the right, as you sway, let the right knee give... sway away over. Now swing up and over in the other direction, this time bending the knee on the other side. As you swing sideways, let one foot come almost off floor, and then with a flowing movement, swing up and over to the other side. It's over so freeing. Keep your head up and chest lifted and put the action through the lateral muscles, which bound the side of the figure. Feel the rhythm and keep the motion flowing.



If your back is normally strong, circle at the waist, bending to the side, circle around in front and to the

opposite side, then up. Use the waistline as a pivot and make these muscles take the action.

Bananas Featured In Exotic Dishes

By Ida Bailey Allen

AN interesting phase of the gatherings of food writers is the opportunity to taste-test new and interesting dishes.

At the Cook Book Recipe Conference luncheon, bananas were featured in twelve different ways, including entrees, assorted breads, desserts and cookies.

"Bananas could also have been featured in fruit cocktails and salads. Madame, as well as in puddings, cakes and pies," chimed in the Chef. "For example, in the restaurant business, chefs find that banana cream pie is tops, especially with men."

SUGGESTED LUNCHEON FOR CLUBS

(Buffet or At Table)
Celery Olives Radishes
Choice of:
Fresh Lobster and Banana Curry with Rice, or
Ham Banana Rolls with Cheese Sauce
Tossed Lettuce Salad Creole
Strawberry Ice Cream Cake
Coffee

All Measurements Are Level Recipes Serve 4 to 6
Fresh Lobster with Banana Curry: This exotic and delicious

dish delighted the food writers. It consists of baked bananas and lobster in curry sauce.

Curry Sauce: Heat 2 1/2 c. chicken consommé, or stock, to boiling point. Melt 1/3 c. butter or margarine in a saucepan. Stir in 1/4 c. enriched flour, 2 tsp. curry powder, 1 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. pepper. When smooth, slowly stir in the heated consommé. Simmer 10 min. over a low heat, stirring often.

(Note: Three chicken bouillon cubes and 2 1/2 c. boiling water may be used for stock.)

Baked Bananas: Peel 6 firm bananas either slightly green-tipped or all yellow. Place in an oiled baking dish. Brush with melted butter or margarine. Four over half the curry sauce. Bake 18-18 min. in a moderate oven, 375° F., or until the bananas are tender when pierced with a fork.

To Complete the Lobster Banana Curry: Heat 3 c. diced cooked lobster meat (fresh, frozen or tinned), in the remaining curry sauce. Serve on hot rice with the curried bananas. Garnish of parsley. Pass chutney sauce.

For variation of the preceding combination, the chef suggests heating only the lobster in the curry sauce with the addition of a little chopped green pepper, and serving an accompanying salad of sliced bananas with chutney French dressing.

Ham Banana Rolls: Lightly spread 6 thin slices boiled ham with table mustard. Peel 6 medium-sized firm bananas, either all yellow or slightly green-tipped. Wrap a slice of the prepared ham around each banana. Brush the tips of the bananas with melted butter or margarine. Place the ham rolls, fold-side down, in an oiled shallow baking dish that can go to-table. Four over 1/4 c. cheese sauce. Bake 30 min. in a moderate oven, 350° F., or until the bananas can be easily pierced with a fork.

DINNER

Chopped Kale Soup
Tuna-Spaghetti al Dente
Zucchini
Sliced Lettuce Chiffonade
Baked Apples Glace
Coffee Tea Milk

Baked Apples Glace: Wash 6 medium-sized greening or other cooking apples. Core; pare 1/4 of the skin from the top. Place in oiled baking dish. Over the top and in the core of each apple divide 5 tbs. sugar mixed with 1/2 tsp. cinnamon. Around apples, place 1 c. hot water in which 1/4 c. sugar has been dissolved. Bake slowly and steadily at 325°-350° F. for 1 hr., or until tender when pierced with a fork. Taste occasionally with the liquid in the dish. About 10 min. before the apples should be done, add 1/3 c. any red-colored jelly and baste the apples with this. Remove to serving dishes; spoon any remaining liquid over the top of the apples. Serve warm, plain, or topped with ice cream.

The Chef's Chiffonade: Sliced French dressing: To 1/2 c. not-sweet French dressing, add 1/4 c. minced parsley, 1/4 tsp. salt, and 1/4 hard-boiled egg, chopped fine.

New Way With Tuna: Place a good way to make a (7-8) tin of tuna turn out "sufficiently" and satisfy four persons to make it. Use both the meat and the sauce. Serve on low-protein, moist bread, or toast, which means, of course, to the best.

Rupert and the Black Spark—17

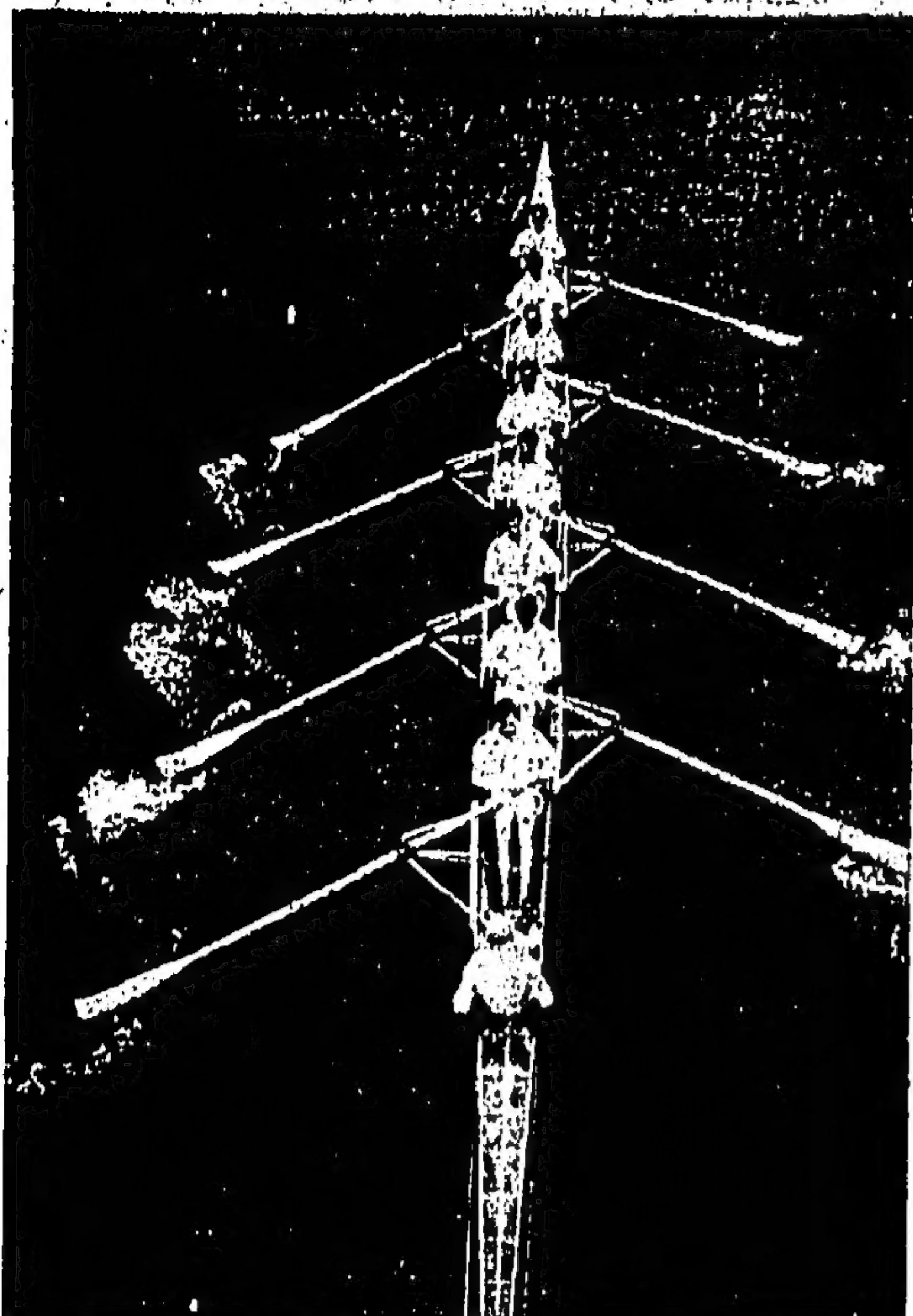


The old Professor gazed at the little black thing on the spade and smiled as he listened to Rupert's explanations. "So this thing is lonely and wants to join its pals in the chukker. Well, nobody has ever brought me such a weird problem before. If I didn't know Rupert, what else could it be?"

A new story

Rupert and the Space Ship

SHOOTING THE BRIDGE



The Cambridge crew "shoots" Hammersmith Bridge during a training session on the river Thames in readiness for their annual race against Oxford tomorrow.—Express Photo.

American Swimmers Break Several World Records

New Haven, Connecticut, Apr. 1.

The New Haven Swim Club relay team and two Ohio Staters, Dick Cleveland and Yoshio Oyakawa, bettered a series of existing world and American marks today in special time trials preliminary to tonight's opening of the National AAU Swimming Championships in Yale's Payne Whitney Pool.

Swimming in a 25-metre pool, Cleveland splashed over the 100 Metres distance in 54.8 seconds to clip six-tenths of a second from the listed world standard of 55.4 set six years ago by Yale's Alan Ford. The performance also constituted an American record for the metric course.

Oyakawa turned in a 1:02.0 records for 500 and 600 metres. Dan Cornwell swam his leg in 57.2 to bring the 500 metres total to 4:41.0 against the former record of 4:47.3, also held by Yale. The sixth leg was swum by Jim Rice in 50.3 and the total of 5:45.7, also held by Yale. After a half-hour rest, and operating over a regular short-course distance, the same New Haven Swim Club team also shattered the current world and American 400 Yards Free Style Relay mark of 3:21.6, set by Yale in 1951. Today's time was a blistering 3:10.4. The "splits" were: Armstrong, 50.9; Aubrey, 49.0; Gledence, 49.2; and Donovan, 50.0.

Seixas Beats Davidson

San Juan, Puerto Rico, Apr. 1.

Top-seeded Vic Seixas of the United States today defeated Swedish Champion Sven Davidson, 6-2, 6-4, in a quarter-final match of the Caribe Hilton Invitation tennis tournament.

Gardner Mulloy of the US beat Hal Burrows (US) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 in the other quarter-final. Mrs. Joy Mottram (England) beat Mrs. Baba Madden Lewis (US) 6-2, 6-0, 6-3. Mulloy and Miss Shirley Fry defeated Davidson and Betty Rosenquest Pratt, 11-13, 6-4, 6-4, to advance to the mixed doubles semi-finals. The first set lasted almost two hours. Kurt Nielsen and Miss Helen Fletcher beat Mrs. Joy Mottram and Collin Hannan, 8-6, in a mixed doubles set, then lost 4-6 in another set. The match was halted by darkness and the deciding set will be played on Friday.—United Press.

HKFA MEETING ON APRIL 12

The first general meeting of the HK Football Association (in compliance with Article 10 of the Articles of Association) will be held on April 12 at 5.45 p.m.

Arrangements for the Indian team's visit will be discussed at a meeting of the Interpart Committee on Monday at 11 a.m.

IRAN WILL NOT TAKE PART IN ASIAN GAMES

Manila, Apr. 1.

Iran will not compete in the Asian Games here between May 1 and May 9, the Organising Committee announced tonight.

Iran finished third in the overall standings in the first Asian Games in New Delhi in 1951.

Only 18 nations will be taking part in this year's games—Afghanistan, Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, Nationalist China, Hongkong, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, South Korea, Malaya, North Borneo, Pakistan, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam and the Philippines.

The Games Committee announced that the Olympic Village in Quzon City, north of Manila, is nearing completion. The village will house about 1,000 athletes.—Reuters.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

London, Apr. 1.

Association football scores today were:

Port Vale 3 Bradford 0

Scunthorpe 2 Stockport 0

ENGLAND LEAD BY 275 ON FIRST INNINGS

Double Century By Len Hutton

Kingston, Apr. 1.

England gained a first innings lead of 275 runs on the third day of the fifth Test against the West Indies today which saw Len Hutton, the England captain, reach a double century (205).

When stumps were drawn the position was as follows: West Indies 139 and 20 for no wicket; England 414.

Hutton completed his 19th Test century in 340 minutes this morning, and at the lunch interval, when he had been batting 419 minutes, he had taken his score to 133.

Ladies' Section Prize-Giving At Fanling

The Annual Spring Meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, held at Fanling on March 30 and 31, was a most enjoyable and successful event. There were 56 entries for the competitions held during the meeting and sixty members were present for the prize-giving on Wednesday afternoon.

Results of the Spring Meeting Competition are as follows:—

Medal Competition—New Course

—Best Gross Scores

Silver Division—Mrs R. R. Coombs 83.

Bronze Division—Mrs S. M. Buckle 93.

Best Nett Score New Course

—Mrs W. P. Birthwhistle.

—Mrs R. R. Coombs, (1953 Captain) presented the Captain's Cup to the Winner, Mrs J. B. Mackie, Runner-up in this competition was Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove.

The LGU Silver Medal for 1953 was presented to Mrs C. Haynes and the LGU Bronze Medal to Mrs W. N. Gray.

Prizes for Competitions held on Ladies' Day during the Season were presented to the following:—

—Mrs R. R. Coombs (Stableford)

—Mrs R. G. Oliphant (Stableford)

—Mrs J. Wal (Medal)

—Mrs C. D. Elrick (Medal)

—Mrs L. H. Robinson (Par Disque)

—Mrs C. Haynes (Eclectic)

—Mrs S. S. Gordon & Mrs C. H. Liang (Foursome)

—Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove (Medal)

—Mrs M. Vaughn (Medal)

—Mrs A. Coleman & Mrs P. Hawkins (Foursome)

—Mrs J. B. Mackie (Bogey)

—Mrs J. R. Litch (Bogey)

—Mrs C. D. Elrick (Bogey)

—Mrs M. Reeves (Medal)

—Mrs H. Lattimer (Medal)

—Mrs E. J. Cowell (Medal—Least Putts)

Prizes were also presented to the following ladies for winning the Qualifying Rounds of the Captain's Cup during the year:—

—Mrs W. N. Gray, Mrs C. Haynes, Mrs G. Elrick, Mrs S. Mitchell, Mrs A. S. Mitchell, Mrs M. Vaughn, Mrs M. Saville, Mrs C. H. Liang and Mrs P. Hawkins.

And LGU Monthly Medal winners:—

—Mrs Hayes, Mrs S. M. Backo, Mrs P. Laroche, Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove, Mrs R. R. Coombs, Miss I. Aitken, Mrs J. Armstrong, Mrs E. D. Hunter, Mrs M. Vaughn, Mrs J. Wal, Miss E. Mirans, Mrs W. P. Birthwhistle, Mrs W. N. Gray, Mrs G. Arkle, and Mrs J. Shoemaker.

The LGU Monthly Medal continues to be played on the First Tuesday of every month at Fanling. There will be an LGU Medal Extra Day on Tuesday, April 20.

The Captain's Cup Qualifying rounds will be played each month on the Second Tuesday and the Saturday and Sunday preceding that day at Fanling.

Members are asked to note that the Rail Bus will not be available from Kowloon to Sheung Shui on Tuesdays until the next Fanling Season begins.

The Sunday Rail Bus will run on April 11 and following Sundays until further notice, but members are again reminded that the Bus will not run on Sunday, April 4.

The Deep Water Bay Season will open on Tuesday, April 27, with a Medal Competition.

Competitions will then be held on the First Thursday and Third Tuesday during May, June, July, August and September. Mrs A. B. Coleman will be in charge of Deep Water Bay events.

These were:—

—Championship—Winner, Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove; Runner-up, Mrs J. B. Mackie.

—Bronze Division Championship—Winner, Mrs Gordon, W. Vaughn; Runner-up, Mrs J. Fortune.

—Relay Cup—Winner, Mrs F. G. Harrison; Runner-up, Mrs K. S. Robertson.

—Taggart Cup—Winner, Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove; Runner-up, Mrs J. B. Mackie.

—Rosa Cup—Winner, Mrs A. B. Mitchell; Runner-up Mrs W. N. Gray.

—Old Dragon's Cup—(Best score on Old Course, 1953), Mrs J. Wal (82).

—Old Dragon's Prize—(Best score on New Course, 1953), Mrs H. Cleland (87).

36 Holes (Old & New Courses Championship Rounds).

Best Nett Score—Old/New Course—Mrs W. N. A. Smalley.

Best Nett Score Old Course—Mrs H. J. Armstrong.

Godfrey Evans was content to defend his wicket at the other end and at lunch had been batting 111 minutes for 10 runs, made up of a four, a two and four singles.

Runs came more freely after lunch. Hutton and Evans took their stand to 108 in two hours 22 minutes before Evans, who had begun to show aggression, lofted a catch to mid-off.

Hutton and Wardle pounded the bowling, and when 350 went up England had put on 100 runs in 72 minutes.

At 309 Hutton reached his double hundred with a cover drive off Sobers. He had then been at the wicket for eight hours 24 minutes.

Hutton's last double century in a Test was against the West Indies at the Oval in 1950. The Yorkshire pair had added 103 for the seventh wicket in 82 minutes by tea.

Hutton's innings ended just after tea when he tried to cut Walcott and smacked a catch behind the wicket. He batted 223 minutes, hitting one six and 23 fours.

Sobers, playing in his first Test for the West Indies, ended the innings by taking the wickets of Lock, Wardle and Laker in quick succession. His four for 75 was the best bowling figure of the innings.

Going in for half an hour 275 behind, the West Indies nearly lost Holt at 15, when Lock got both hands to the ball at backward short-leg but dropped it.

THE SCOREBOARD

West Indies, 1st Innings, 139

England, 1st Innings, 414

L. Hutton, c. McWatt b. 205

W. Walcott, c. McWatt b. 23

Sobers, c. sub. b. Ramadhin 30

D. Compton, hit wicket b. 31

W. Watson, c. McWatt b. 4

King, c. McWatt b. 11

T. Graveney, lbw b. Atkinson 28

C. G. Evans, c. Worrell 60

R. Ramadhin, c. Sobers 4

A. Lock, b. Sobers 9

J. Laker, b. Sobers 0

F. Trueman, not out 0

Extras 3

Total 414

Wickets: 1/43; 2/104; 3/152; 4/100; 5/179; 6/287; 7/392; 8/401; 9/400.

Bowling

King 20 12 45 2

Gomez 25 8 50 0

Atkinson 41 16 82 1

Ramadhin 29 9 71 2

Sobers 28.5 9 75 4

Walcott 11 5 20 1

Worrell 11 0 34 0

Stollmeyer 6 0 22 0

In the West Indies 2nd

innings, Holt was not out 12, with extras 1.—Reuters.

Smyslov Wins

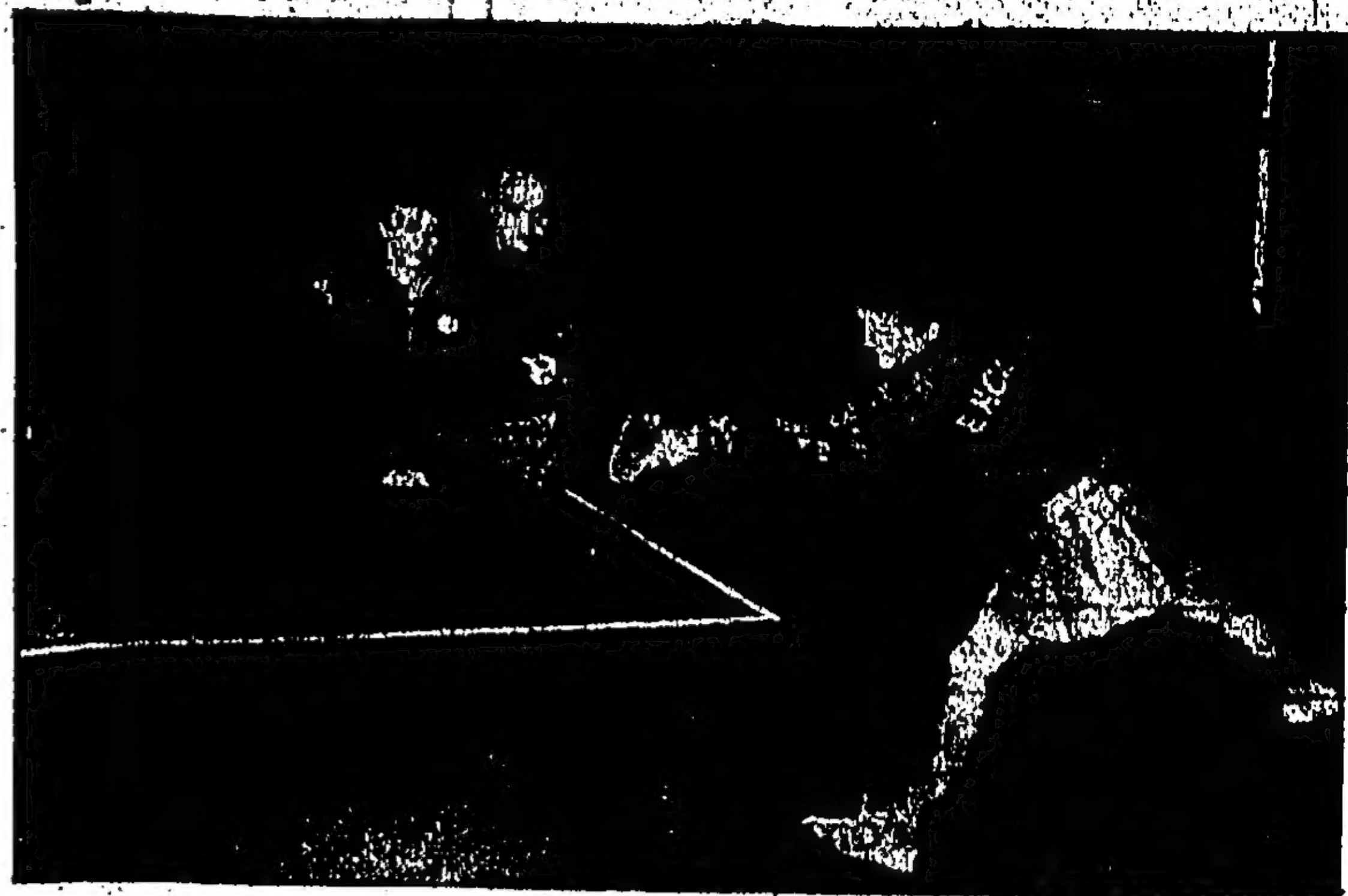
Moscow, Mar. 31.

Vasily Smyslov scored his first win in the seventh game of the world chess championship series with Mikhail Botvinnik today. The score now stands Botvinnik 4½ points, Smyslov 3½.

Smyslov (white), who had positional advantage at the tournament, crumpled the black pieces in passive positions and obtained two connected passed pawns. Black would block the advance of these pawns only at the cost of great material sacrifice. On the 50th move Botvinnik laid down his arms.

The eighth game will be played tomorrow. — United Press.

READY TO MEET ALL-COMERS



The Rowe sisters, Diane and Rosalind, London's famous Table Tennis Twins, are training ardently for the World Championships which are to be played at Wembley next week.

Guiding them in their final spells of practice is the great Victor Barna, who hopes to bring them to their peak at Wembley. Diane and Rosalind achieved world fame as doubles players, but this year they are hoping that one of them may bring home the singles title which no British girl has won since the World Championships started in 1927.

This picture shows Victor Barna giving advice to the two girls during training — Diane is left-handed, and Rosalind, right-handed. — Central Press Photo.

SCOTTISH SPORTS SUMMARY

SCOTTISH FA SELECTORS WILL HAVE TO RECTIFY WORLD CUP BLUNDER

By "MAC"

The Scottish Football Association selectors have made one of the biggest blunders over the World Cup. There is still time to rectify it—but they are afraid to do so in case they "look silly."

That is the opinion freely held in top Scottish soccer circles on the decision to send only 13 players to Switzerland for the Tournament.

Last December the selectors said that 13 players would travel. Recently they considered increasing the number to 18. There will be a minimum of two matches. What if several players were injured in the first game? Others would have to be rushed from Scotland.

If the team qualifies for the quarter and semi-finals the position would be more acute. The selectors underline their own mistake by sending 18 players in May for a match in Norway and one in Finland.

ANKRAH v. KELLY

Roy Ankrah, British Empire Featherweight Champion, who lives in Glasgow, will fight Billy Kelly of Belfast on April 10.

Kelly is the Northern Ireland title-holder and Ankrah hopes the fight will help get him into trim for his Marseilles bout with Frenchman Ray Famechon, scheduled for the end of April.

Twice-postponed, the contest between Ankrah and European Champion Jean Sneyers of Belgium has now been put back till May. By that time Sneyers may no longer hold the European crown. He defends it against Famechon next month.

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side.

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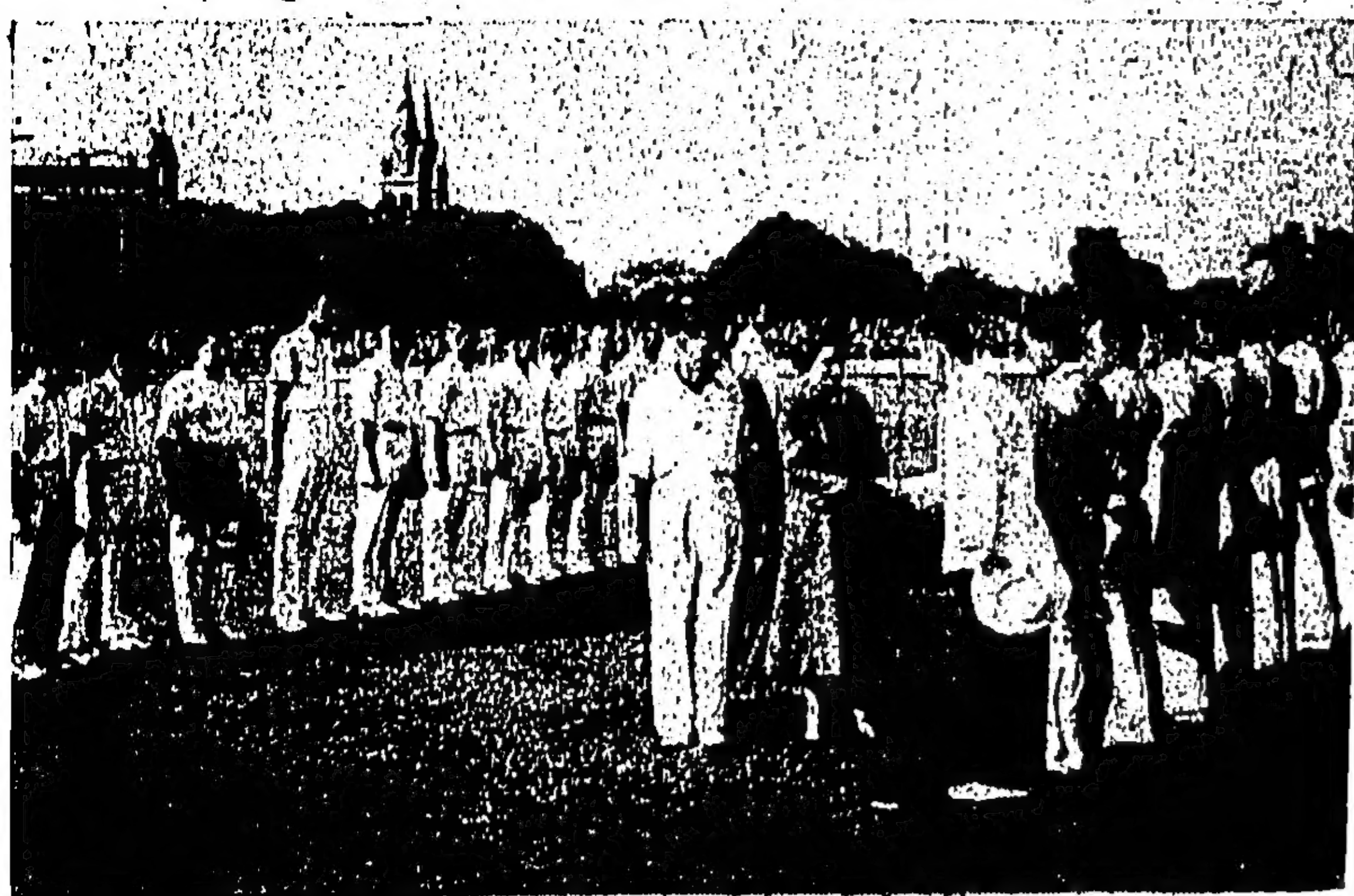
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THE QUEEN VISITS CRICKET GROUND



Members of the two teams were presented to the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh when they visited the Oval, Adelaide, to watch the cricket match between the South Australian Cricket Association and the Country Cricket Carnival Association. — Express Photo.

JUNIOR BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

P.V. Yap Beats Bernard Brown In The Match Of The Evening

By "ARGONAUT"

A brilliant singles match in which Craigengower's left-hander P. V. Yap overcame Recreio's Bernard Brown by 15-8 and 15-10 was the highlight of the opening evening's programme in the Colony Junior Badminton Championships at Tai Koo Club last night.

Both the two players, who are regarded as the most outstanding among the juniors this year, produced a high standard of classy badminton, with Yap enjoying a slight edge in stamina and variety and

Long rallies featured the initial stages of the game as both players battled cautiously for every point. From 8-7, however, Yap broke loose with a series of drop shots and net flights to Brown's front backhand corner to score four points in a row and added another point with a sizzling smash.

Brown gamely held on to the 7-11 score for another two changeovers of service but was

unable to cope with his opponent's well-judged mixture of drops, smashes and lobs and, after conceding two more points, managed to obtain only one further point before the first set ended at 15-8.

There was another grim tussle at the commencement of the second set and although Yap went to a 3-0 start, Brown drew level at 3-3. Yap forged ahead to 6-3, only to see a fighting Brown fight back to 6-6 and then lead by 8-7.

His strong efforts at this stage seemed to have been too much for the Recreio player as Yap returned strongly to the fray with a barrage of smashes to overtake his opponent at 12-9 and eventually to take the set and match at 15-10.

MOST EXCITING

The most exciting game of the evening was the Mixed Doubles match between Frank Yeh and Betty Yung and P. C. Chau and Wong Sze-pui, with the former pair winning by 9-15, 15-9 and 15-12.

The winners started off shakily, but after losing the first set, in which P. C. Chau was prominent with good back-court play, they forced the rubber after an excellent spell when they served unbrokenly from 9-0 to 12-0.

The third set saw an even struggle until 9-9. Chau and Wong took the next two points, but in a brilliant recovery Yeh reeled off six points in a row for set and match.

Schoolgirl player Betty Yung was especially prominent at this stage with a fine exhibition of attacking net play and her successive net smashes gave her side the last three points of the match.

In the only Men's Doubles match of the evening, Recreio's "C" Division League pair of A. Rosa and B. Xavier scored a creditable triumph over University's Joseph Foo and C. W. Ng.

Undaunted by the reputation of their opponents, the Recreio combination again displayed their tremendous improvement in aggressive doubles play.

Both Foo and Ng showed ample evidence of lack of practice and were seldom able to keep up with the pace of their opponents.

With regard to the Esplanade United Kingdom competition which will be held in July in Vancouver, it was decided that names of those British players who will go on home leave be submitted to the Tournament Committee in Vancouver not later than April 12.

Following are the entries of the Lawn Bowls League for this year.

First Division—Club de Recreio (two teams), CCC, FC, PRC, KCC, KDC and PRC.

Second Division—Recreio, HKCC, HKFC, HKDC, KCC, KDC and USRC.

Third Division—Recreio, CCC, FC, HKCC, HKFC and USRC.

to extricate themselves out of a defensive game.

THE RESULTS
Mixed Doubles—C. K. Chan and Miss Anne Young beat P. C. Chau and Miss Wong Sze-pui 15-8, 15-10.

Men's Doubles—B. A. Xavier and Joseph Foo beat A. Rosa and B. Xavier 15-8, 15-10.

TODAY'S GAMES
At CCC
7 p.m. Men's Singles: C. W. Ng v. A. A. de Rosa.

7.30 p.m. Mixed Doubles: Wong Yan v. Miss Tang v. Junior Castro & Diana Yung.

8 p.m. Men's Doubles: Pat Gardner & Brian Douglas v. Roy Remedios & Roberto Nunes.

8.30 p.m. Men's Singles: Sak Fook-tat v. Wong Shu-kuang.

9 p.m. Men's Doubles: C. C. Wong & B. K. Lui v. S. T. Hooi & Dr. K. L. Hul.

The Hongkong University Athletic Club will be the host to the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club and the South China Athletic Association at Pokfulam on Sunday in the first match of an annual triangular series for the Norman Phillips Shield. The Shield has been presented by the HKAA.

There will also be a triangular girls' match between the University Athletic Club, South China A.A. and King George V School.

The events will be the 100 Yards, 220 Yards, 440 Yards, 880 Yards, One Mile, 120 Yards, 220 Yards Hurdles, High Jump, Long Jump, Hop, Step and Jump, Shot Put, Discus Throw and Javelin Throw, and for the girls, 100 Yards, 220 Yards, High Jump and Long Jump.

There will be a men's One Mile Relay and a girls' 440 Yards Relay. A new event to most of those taking part will be the 200 Yards Hurdles. With a new hop, step and jump board being sunk, it is quite probable that the University pit will see a new Colony record in this event on Sunday.

Many of the Colony's leading athletes will be seen in action, among them Stephen Xavier, Chen Wal-chuen, a Neville Hughes, Ng Chuan-wai and many others.

Work To Start Soon On Melbourne's Olympic Village

Melbourne, Apr. 1. Work is to start in mid-April on the creation of an Olympic village in the Melbourne suburb of Heidelberg for the 1956 Olympic Games.

The group, sponsored by the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, is expected to be turned for the Colony within two weeks.

HOLLYWOOD HEADLINES

"The Purple Plain" Seems To Have Been Dogged By Bad Luck

By JENNIFER JOHNS

Hollywood.

Among the pictures affected by the strike in Britain's film studios (a strike which looks like putting nearly 5,000 studio staff out of work) is "The Purple Plain," an adaptation of the novel by Mr. H. E. Bates. Ever since filming began on location in Ceylon, "The Purple Plain" seems to have been dogged by bad luck. The novel deals with adventures on an air strip in Burma during World War II but, for the film, Ceylon was chosen because it made for more amenable working conditions—and it also had a convenient air strip near the spot where Paramount recently shot "Elephant Walk." The air strip, however, was about the only convenience that turned up.

The RAF co-operated by assigning actual personnel to the location, plus three mosquito bombers complete with jungle camouflage. Within days of the arrival of the equipment, however, a belated tropical down-pour flooded the area and an "ideal" dried-up river bed became a raging torrent.

Work had to be packed up and then the sun came out—so viciously that it quickly withered the "prop" banana trees and coconut palms. Which meant constant replacements of the trees with prefabricated "forests" and vegetation.

Then one of the players suffered sunstroke after a scene in which he had water poured on his back under the burning sun. Within an hour another player injured a knee in a fight with Gregory Peck.

Finally, three weeks behind schedule, the shooting began in February. The only bright spots were Mr. Peck, who enjoyed the rain and succumbed to only a minor cold in the weather contrasts, and a plaster lion which even local villagers agreed was almost as good as the real thing.

It turned out to be so good, in fact, that when it was no longer needed and the RAF tried to dynamite it, its head survived. Which should make a perfect puzzle for future archaeological expeditions!

SEARCH FOR SCARLETT

There is a search on for a new Scarlett O'Hara. The man searching is David Selznick who means that he needs another Vivien Leigh. I would suggest Audrey Hepburn. . . . Meanwhile, Rex Harrison is apparently the current choice for a re-make of "The Scarlet Pimpernel." He is also backed for a lead in the film version of "Bell, Book and Candle" to be filmed in London with Jennifer Jones.

I hear that Zoltan Korda is hoping to get Jean Simmons and Stewart Granger together for "The King's Journey." I know there would be trouble. Fans are now returning Marilyn Di Maggio's autographed photo back to her studio with requests that she continue signing as "Marilyn Monroe."

It is just 12 years since Alan Ladd married and the union is still going strong and happy. Twelve years ago Mr. Ladd was warned by his studio that marriage would hurt his career. Today Alan's popularity has never been greater.

A new record has just been broken by Arlene Dahl who claims that she is the only woman to wear rubber-ill-over next to her skin. The wardrobe department has just made her skin-tight rubber costumes which she will wear under her dress for her sequence in "Bengal Rifes." Arlene will need the lingerie. She will spend the greater part of four consecutive days immersed up to her neck in swamp water.

MASS PRODUCTION

An experiment to mass produce films in an effort to halt rising production costs is, I hear, about to begin in Italy. A new Italian film company is to produce three full-length adventure films in colour—simultaneously. The stars, producers and technical crews will be the same in each film.

A carefully planned shooting schedule will cut out expensive stars wasting time between scenes, avoid idle days due to weather, etc.

RUSSIAN HOLLYWOOD

There is news of a new challenge to Hollywood—from an unexpected quarter. Russian papers which have just been translated here reveal that Moscow has just begun to build the largest movie studios in Russian history—complete with all the latest gadgets.

This, after years during which the Russians have been laboriously deriding Hollywood for its stress on the "colossal" and "gigantic." The new studios will be called the "Bolshoi Mosfilm" studios and will have facilities for turning out as many as 40 feature films (and in colour too) every year.

There will be 13 different sound stages which will enable 13 movies to be "shot" simultaneously. An ingenious idea will provide a series of "nature scene" studios. Which means that the studios will have an outdoors indoors so enabling Moscow directors to shoot outdoor winter scenes in summer and vice versa.

Every studio will be air-conditioned and will have "powerful" ventilation—no doubt to ensure that Russia's movie directors, not used to such luxuries, don't get too hot under the collar.

As for the "sound" side of the stages, these will be a technician's delight. Every one of the stages will be shielded against outside noises and there will be vast "orchestra rooms" to provide the necessary background music.

All in all, it would seem that the idea is to make the Lenin Hills section of South-west Moscow into the Beverly Hills of Russia.

The only snag would appear to be that there won't be any Marilyn Monroes. The first films to be shot will recall the US stories of three Communist leaders (including Stalin) and these will be followed by a determined programme of "Hate America!" films. Perhaps Hollywood isn't being threatened after all.

BETTE RETURNING

Bette Davis returns to Hollywood in June for the "Sir Walter Raleigh" picture at the Crestline Fox. Mr. Burton will be there too. As the gallant Sir Walter.

Greer Garson, asked to write her autobiography, commented: "For heaven's sake no. I haven't started to live yet!" It has been said that the only time that Bette Davis wears a hat, is when she gets married.

George Sanders looks like being all set for the Emperor role in "Julius Caesar" with Katharine Williams and Howard Keel. Clark Gable, a convert to Europe, says that he just can't wait to return to Paris.

JACK PETTIFORD TO JOIN KENT

By BRUCE HARRIS

Kent's cricket side—bottom but one last season—will be strengthened in the coming season by a notable Australian recruit in Jack Pettiford. His engagement is made possible because the new rule restricting such recruiting is not retrospective.

He has already been "specially registered," and though a contract has not yet been signed, there is every likelihood that it will be.

Pettiford is a fine all-rounder who played for New South Wales against the MCC side in Sydney in 1946 as a batsman and leg spin bowler; at that time he was on the fringe of the Australian side. He came to England to play for Nelson in the Lancashire League.

Under a badly needed new rule adopted last month, an overseas player cannot be "specially registered" until he has lived in England ten years, he cannot qualify by residence for a county under three years,

during which time he must play all his cricket there.

Here is an end to cases like that of Bruce Dooland, Australian who was able to play League cricket in Lancashire until he qualified for Nottingham and took 172 wickets in his first season.

Dooland's county captain, R. T. Simpson, tells me that while he agrees with the new regulation, the influx of cricketers from overseas had improved the standard of play during the rebuilding period after the war.

Maybe, but it is high time the manufacture of synthetic teams was stopped. Let us have all-English county sides.

Among the players saved for various counties by contracts already existing are Roy Marshall, West Indian who will play for Hampshire in 1955; Colin McCool, Australian Test bowler, who will be a true-blue man of Somerset in 1955; and Alan Walker, New South Wales fast bowler, who will be in the Nottingham side in 1955.

Lancashire already have Ken Grieves, but do not intend to seek out other overseas players of different races entertaining Saturday afternoon crowds in club cricket.

(London Express Service)

SHEK-O GOLF

The March Medal and Bogey pools at Shek-O Golf Club were well supported, there being 138 cards taken out.

The winners were: Bogey pool, "A" Section—P. V. Huyshe (6)—3 up and S. M. Baake (12)—3 up, tie.

"B" Section—G. W. Jones (20)—3 up.
Medal pool, "A" Section—J. Dickson Lench (7)—nett 63.
"B" Section—J. A. H. Saunders (14)—nett 64 and G. W. Jones (20)—nett 64, tie.

During April there will be three competitions held during the Easter holidays, and a flag competition on the 25th. All are open to ladies.

The return match against Fanning is being held at Fanning on the 11th, and members are reminded that the entry list closes next Sunday, the 4th.

LADIES SECTION
Owing to the Memorial Service for the late Mrs. W. J. Stanton, which is being held on Thursday, April 8, the Ladies' Golf Meeting at Shek-O Country Club scheduled for that day has been postponed to Thursday, April 15.

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31st March, 1954.

NOTICE

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Centenary Dinner

Ex-Members attending the dinner are reminded that it will take place at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club on Friday, 2nd April, 1954, at 8 p.m.

It is also notified that the Cricket Match against the H.K.V.D.C. (pre-war) is on Sunday, 4th April, 1954, at the Hongkong Cricket Club, commencing at 11.30 a.m.

American Psychologists Disagree With Freud

San Francisco, Apr. 1.

University of California psychologists have decided there is no difference between the sexes as far as their response to visual perception tests are concerned.

This conclusion, reached by Dr. Irving Morton Goldstein of the University of California, is in conflict with the theories of Sigmund Freud who believed that certain symbols and designs were characteristically male or female.

Dr. Goldstein declares, however, that there is no distinct male or female way of seeing a design as long as the subject is not aware that he or she is being tested for a reaction peculiar to one sex.

This awareness may be the cause of the errors based on the Freud theories, he believes. Dr. Goldstein studied 100 subjects, who were merely told that they were being tested for their ability to see a very vague design on an intricately patterned background. They were not informed that the aim of the test was to discover whether they were strongly masculine or strongly feminine.

The subjects, divided equally among males and females, were

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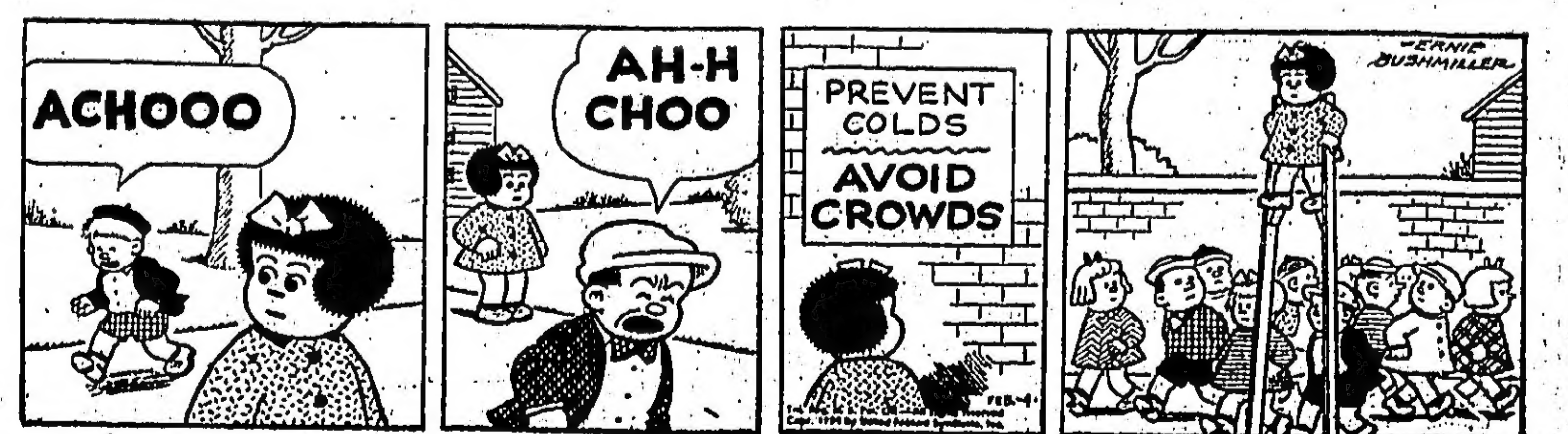
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New official British travel offices are being opened. Offices to be opened early next month in Frankfurt will have a double purpose. They will tell Germans of the attractions of Britain and encourage American Servicemen and women to spend their leaves in Britain.

"Sir Alexander Maxwell, chairman of the British Travel Association, just back from the United States, said: 'Tourists brought more than 100 million dollars to this country from America last year. I believe we can increase the number of Americans coming here by 10 per cent this year.'"

Soon a colour poster of a joint of beef will be appearing in American cities.

"For the first time, we are in a position to tell Americans that they can get 'the roast beef of Old England' almost anywhere," said Sir Alexander. —London Express Service.

Denmark To Have NATO Air Bases

Copenhagen, Apr. 1. The Danish Government has dropped its opposition to the construction of two North Atlantic Treaty Organisation air bases in Denmark, authoritative sources said today. Work will resume on the construction of two secondary bases — fully operative for military purposes but without certain administrative responsibilities. The bases will be situated at Aalborg and at Esbjerg.



Queen Mother And Princess Margaret At The Races



Princess Margaret in a full length fur coat and close-fitting hat, and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, also with a fur, walking to the paddock on the first day of the Grand Military Meeting at Sandown Park recently. — Central Press.

The English Language In India—To Be Or Not To Be?

Bombay, Mar. 31.

A controversy is raging in India today over the future role of the English language in the country.

While advocates of English state "English is ours: it is not a foreign language," its opponents declare that the "craze for the continuance of English is a slavish mentality left behind by alien rulers."

Nowhere is the controversy more heated than in the cosmopolitan city of Bombay where a recent state Government order to schools prohibits the admission of pupils whose mother tongue is not English to schools where the medium of instruction is English.

The President of the Bombay Congress Committee, Mr. S. K. Patil, has called this order the "stillest thing under the sun."

Opponents of English, who number among them Bombay's Chief Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai, are in favour of replacing English by Hindi or regional languages as speedily as possible, in Parliament, in Universities and schools and as the language of the administration.

English today holds undisputed sway in the Central and State Parliaments and in the Courts of Law throughout India, as well as being the language in which all official administration is carried on.

It is the medium of instruction in the Universities and in the majority of schools.

It is also the official language of the Army, Navy and the Air Force.

Much of India's commerce and trade is also conducted in English.

Mr. Morarji Desai recently said that English as a language was correctly understood and spoken by about two per cent of the people of India.

People's Language

"This makes it all the more necessary to have Hindi as a common language, the language understood by the mass of the people throughout the country," he added. "Posterity will not forgive us if, after political independence, we fail to evolve a 'lingua franca'. India has a People's Government and it must have a people's language. That is the correct approach to the problem. There is no force or compulsion in this regard," he added.

India's Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Dr. B. V. Keshkar, has said that the basic defect of the present educational system in the country could be traced to the medium of instruction in English.

"For the past 150 years we have been utilising English as a medium of our higher education. When it was first introduced it might have served the purpose of bringing us into contact with the outside world but it has on the other hand crippled the growth of Indian languages and therefore of Indian thought and culture," he said.

"This cultural subservitude to a foreign country is most damaging to the growth of our personality and the development of our thoughts."

Bombay's Education Minister, Mr. Dinkarrao Darda, has said that from the point of view of Indian civilisation and culture, the craze for the continuance of English represents "a slavish mentality" left behind by alien rulers.

The Governor of Uttar Pradesh, Mr. K. M. Munshi, in a broadcast on "The Future of English," said: "History has placed in our hands a powerful weapon for spreading India's message throughout the world. We would betray our ancient heritage and future destiny if we were to allow it to rust. Today, English is ours; with it we can make ourselves felt throughout the world. It would, therefore, be criminal to ignore or neglect English in this country," he declared.

Mr. Munshi admitted that English would not in the future be what it was in the past, because India's cultural and political future depended upon Hindi as the national language.

"Should Be Proud"

He urged that there should be "progressive displacement" of English by Hindi. This was not the same thing as saying that English should be replaced forthwith, irrespective of the consequences.

"In whatever hurry we may be to eliminate English (the Indian constitution, while giving Hindi the status of an official language, allows it 15 years to grow to that stage), we should not forget the value of English in the immediate present, nor its importance in shaping our future. English today is a powerful unifying factor in our national life; it is the language of administration at a higher level, of law and scholarship, of inter-regional and international intercourse," he said.

It was through English that India maintained the high level of her intellectual and scientific training and achievement. India's intercourse with the whole world depended upon English, and so did her ambition to secure speedy intellectual, scientific and literary advancement.

The legal standard in the country also depended upon the literature of the Anglo-Saxon world.

"I cannot imagine any Supreme Court Judge—with great respect of course—delivering judgment in Hindi with the same accuracy of thought and expression as in English for a considerable time to come," said Mr. Munshi.

The President of Bombay Congress Committee, Mr. S. K. Patil, has said: "The English language is one of our national possessions, of which we ought to be proud. In our struggle for liberation, it was this language which provided a cementing force."

Operation "Native Son" Attracts The Fan Mail

Wiesbaden, Germany, Apr. 1.

The postman brings about 100 letters a day to the headquarters here of the United States Air Force in Europe from men and women wanting to join its expanding civilian "ground staff." The letters come from Britain, Norway, Italy, Spain, and Iceland. Staff officers here are making an Air Force economy drive to replace about 10,500 Americans by about 8,500 local civilians in administrative and maintenance jobs in camps in Britain, France, West Germany, Austria, and French Morocco by the end of June.

The scheme, dubbed "Native Son," is intended to free airman for more important work, giving the force greater striking power at less cost.

Many of the letters are from people who want to go abroad. But their chances are dim, for the Air Force is seeking people who will work at the camps nearest their homes.

Drivers, mechanics, carpenters, plumbers, warehousemen, storekeepers, clerks, typists and stenographers are being engaged.

The aimers and American civilians whom they replace return to the United States ready to man new Air Force wings.

FIRST GOAL

This scheme began in November and the Air Force aimed at engaging 2,488 civilians by the end of last year. It is hoped to raise the number to about 5,500 by the end of March.

Officers said that if the present recruiting rate continued, they thought the whole 8,500 would have been found by June.

Lieutenant General William H. Tunner, 47-year-old Commander-in-Chief of the United States Air Force in Europe, who commanded the Allied Task Force which flew supplies into Berlin during the 1948-49 Soviet blockade, said: "We like the programme and are very happy we have been able to go ahead with it. I think it is coming along satisfactorily."

He said it would enable the Air Force to use as many airmen as possible in combat units and also make for "continuity" in the support and supply units by retaining airmen who stay in Europe, only 15 or 20 months by a "permanent" civilian staff.

China Mail Special.

Quiet Week On Hongkong Share Market

By A Special Correspondent

The Hongkong Stock Exchange passed through one of its quietest weeks of the year this week. Prices of utility shares eased slightly yesterday as investors held off awaiting lower rates, leaving the market as a whole quietly steady.

Banks slipped from the high levels of last week through an increase in scrip available and lack of buying interest. Brokers reported they had to split big parcels of Banks and Unions to get rid of the shares.

The spotlight turned away from utilities—with, perhaps, the exception of Yau Ma Tei Ferries—and focussed on two sections which have drifted into a backwater in recent months. They were rubbers and Shanghai shares.

The Shanghai shares can be disposed of quickly. It will be noticed that both the buyers' rates of Docks and Lands have crept up in the last month. Docks from \$1.10 on February 26 to \$1.35 yesterday and Lands from \$1.10 on February 26 to \$1.50 yesterday afternoon at \$1.50.

Brokers say this can be nothing more than wishful thinking in the extreme. There is certainly no news to justify any interest.

Two rubber shares—Amalgamated Rubber and Rubber Trust—have also risen in the last month and this is undoubtedly due to better rates ruling at the Singapore sales. Yesterday rubber sold for 57½ cents a pound which is almost a 10 per cent increase on the rates ruling in February.

Amalgamated Rubber, 65 cents on February 26 was selling yesterday at between 92-94 cents and Rubber Trust is up 50 cents to \$1.50 over the same period.

Brokers feel this interest is not likely to be sustained in view of the statement of the retiring Chairman of the Rubber Growing Association, Mr. P. L. Cogan in London earlier this week that "the short term outlook for rubber was not too encouraging."

I said earlier "the spotlight focussed..." A pretty way to light it was at that.

There was some activity in Yau Ma Tei yesterday on rumours of a bonus issue shortly.

SATISFIED INVESTORS

In the utilities' section one broker said the dullness was because "investors seem satisfied with what they got last month." A number of dividends were raised, the balance sheets and future prospects thoroughly analysed; the very mysteries which keep interest alive in that section of the share market have been bared, and ruthlessly exposed. Illusion is now reality. In short, there's no fun in it for the time being.

However good the prospects may be for issues like Lights, Electricity and Telephones, with the prices of their "commodities" controlled, their future earnings are somewhat stereotyped and restricted. By this limiting factor, which brings the share to the same limitations with rent controls on existing buildings there is, theoretically, no limit to the height rents may go for rooms in buildings now under construction. Practically, of course, there is a ceiling but this is dictated more by obligation than by desire, with a little apprehension as to the public's reaction to overhigh rental charges.

This comparative freedom in determining new rentals has undoubtedly helped Hongkong lands and is responsible for the current interest in the share, now at \$33. It has not stopped rising since the new issue terms were announced last month and there is nothing on the horizon which threatens to check its present firmness.

To this extent, the demand this week was selective. Brokers feel there will be little renewal of interest in utilities until, say, Electric come down to \$31 or lower and Trams to \$28.

NO ANXIOUS SELLERS

However there are certainly no anxious sellers at the moment with utilities yielding between six and seven per cent.

There was an apparent item away from Banks on the local market yesterday. But it is a fiction. By the way, where they were quoted yesterday at \$27 yesterday as against \$28 a week ago. Not only do banks holden want to realise profits but even from an investment

Japan Building Bicycles In Pakistan

Tokyo, Apr. 1.
A joint Japan-Pakistan plant to build a bicycle plant at Dacca and Karachi is beginning to take shape. It was announced today.
Mr. Reiji Konomu of the Dai Nippon Machinery Company and Mr. Yukio Tokuyama of the Nichibei Full Bicycle Company returned to Japan on March 27 from a series of talks with Pakistani Government officials. They also made an on-the-spot survey.
The plan envisages a joint undertaking by Japanese machinery makers and the Pakistan Government.
The Japan Bicycle Industry Association was first approached by Pakistan last summer with an offer to construct and operate two plants in Pakistan as a joint enterprise.—United Press.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, Apr. 1.

Chemicals replaced aircrafts today in the stock market spotlight, featuring a rise which boosted the increase in market value of all listed stocks to \$3,000,000,000 in the past five sessions.

Chemical stocks had gains ranging to more than 3 points. Selected oil, steel, motor, electric equipment and a host of special industrial shares also moved up sharply.

Rails again performed better than they have recently, extending yesterday's sharp gains by a point or so in some issues. Aircrafts, maintaining the steady rise in industrial, were hit again by profit-taking which cut prices of recent leaders. Boeing off 1½, Douglas off 1½, United Aircraft a point lower, Glenn Martin down ¾.

Martin again was the active leader and other aircrafts had also heavy turnover.

US Steel followed Martin in the active, rising ½ point to a new high at \$43.

CHEMICAL GAINS

Gains in the chemicals ranged to 3½ points in Hooker Electrochemical at \$71½.

Wall Street saw in the continued market strength reflection of increased optimism over the business outlook stemming in large part from the \$1,000,000,000 excise tax cut which went into effect today.

Of 1,195 issues traded, 647 were higher, with 122 at new highs for the year, and 296 lower, with eight touching new lows.

Turnover amounted to 2,270,000 shares, compared with 2,000,000 yesterday—heaviest volume since September 18 when the current advance got underway.

The NY Stock Exchange bond volume was \$3,510,000, and the American Bond Exchange volume was 540,000 shares.

Dow Jones closing averages were:

30 Industrials 300.27
20 rails 102.07
10 utilities 153.10
63 stocks 153.10
40 bonds 100.88
Com. figure price index 151.88
—United Press.

New York Sugar Market

New York, Apr. 1.

World No. 4 sugar futures today closed unchanged to three points higher with sales of 206 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to two points lower with sales of 223 contracts.

World futures steadiest on trade buying and the thinner basis for raws.

Domestic futures were irregular in mixed dealings. Dealers said cane refiners at New York were unloading some raw sugar today, despite the waterfront strike.

Future closings:

Contract No. 4 (world)

May 3.24½

July 3.23½

September 3.22½

October 3.21½

January (1955) 3.20½

March 3.19½

May 3.18½

July 3.17½

September 3.16½

October 3.15½

January (1956) 3.14½

March 3.13½

May 3.12½

July 3.11½

September 3.10½

October 3.09½

January (1957) 3.08½

March 3.07½

May 3.06½

July 3.05½

September 3.04½

October 3.03½

January (1958) 3.02½

March 3.01½

May 3.00½

July 2.99½

September 2.98½

October 2.97½

January (1959) 2.96½

March 2.95½

May 2.94½

July 2.93½

September 2.92½

October 2.91½

January (1960) 2.90½

March 2.89½

May 2.88½

July 2.87½

September 2.86½

October 2.85½

January (1961) 2.84½

March 2.83½

May 2.82½

July 2.81½

September 2.80½

October 2.79½

January (1962) 2.78½

March 2.77½

May 2.76½

July 2.75½

September 2.74½

October 2.73½

January (1963) 2.72½

March 2.71½

May 2.70½

July 2.69½

September 2.68½

October 2.67½

January (1964) 2.66½

March 2.65½

May 2.64½

July 2.63½

September 2.62½

October 2.61½

January (1965) 2.60½

March 2.59½

May 2.58½

July 2.57½

September 2.56½

October 2.55½

January (1966) 2.54½

March 2.53½

May 2.52½

July 2.51½

September 2.50½

October 2.49½

January (1967) 2.48½

March 2.47½

May 2.46½

July 2.45½

September 2.44½

October 2.43½

January (1968) 2.42½

March 2.41½

May 2.40½

July 2.39½

September 2.38½

October 2.37½

January (1969) 2.36½

March 2.35½

May 2.34½

July 2.33½

September 2.32½

October 2.31½

January (1970) 2.30½

March 2.29½

May 2.28½

July 2.27½

September 2.26½

October 2.25½

January (1971) 2.24½

March 2.23½

May 2.22½

July 2.21½

September 2.20½

October 2.19½

January (1972) 2.18½

March 2.17½

May 2.16½

July 2.15½

September 2.14½

October 2.13½

January (1973) 2.12½

March 2.11½

May 2.10½

July 2.09½

September 2.08½

October 2.07½

January (1974) 2.06½

March 2.05½

May 2.04½

July 2.03½

September 2.02½

October 2.01½

January (1975) 2.00½

March 1.99½</

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Jennifer's Friends

THERE were some odd people in the public gallery at Bow Street on the morning Jennifer came up, no to speak, for the second time.

For the most part, those who queue for places in the public galleries of the courts are everyday sort of citizens. Some go out of curiosity, some have a genuine interest in the way the law works. There are a few men, who work at night and spend an hour in the courts for entertainment, on their way home to bed.

The morning Jennifer appeared, after her week's remand, there was a thick sprinkling of the public gallery of young people about her own age—in their late teens or early twenties, who displayed no interest in any case but hers.

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THEY were rather depressing young people, the youths in Edwardian suits, the girls in tight black trousers that ended just above grubby bare ankles.

For though they were young, there was nothing youthful about them. They looked as old as crime. A joyless lot, who whispered out of the sides of their mouths, and in whose faces you could read only bitterness, hatred and something else—fear perhaps.

Jennifer, in whom these all took so much interest, was entirely different from them. A fresh-complexioned, fair-haired 19-year-old, who a week before had been arrested as she hung around the West End streets, and had spent the time since then in Holloway, on remand.

THREE TIMES PARTED

SHE glanced towards the back of the court as she came into the dock, and seeing the young people's eyes all on her, quickly looked away and faced Miss Hamilton, the magistrate.

The probation officer, Miss Hamilton, went into the witness-box. "This girl has not had a happy life, sir," she said. "Her parents separated when she was five, and again when she was seven, and when she was ten. Each time they went back to each other, but finally the mother divorced the father. Jennifer was a very bright girl. She lived in the Home Counties, and won several scholarships, but of course at home she had very bitter experiences. She drifted from good jobs on to the streets, and got in with the wrong sort of people."

IN GALLERY—DISDAIN

ONE or two of the young men and girls at the back of the court sneered the position of the gun they were chewing, and grimaced at each other to show their disdain for this sort of talk.

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Radioactive Jellyfish Discovered

Manhattan Beach, Calif., Apr. 1.
An amateur geologist presented a problem to local marine biologists today with his discovery of radioactivity in jellyfish cast ashore here.

Richard Zornow, whose home-made Geiger counter began ticking at the rate of one count per second yesterday when a neighbour brought one of the sea creatures to his home, had no explanation for the "hot" jellyfish.

He agreed with officials of the Bureau of Marine Fisheries, however, that it was unlikely that it had been exposed to recent H-bomb tests at the mid-Pacific atom proving ground. Officials said it would take many months for the jellyfish to be swept here by ocean currents.

Zornow, who said he also found traces of radioactivity along beach sands, declared his counter at no time indicated a dangerous amount of radiation. —United Press.

40-Year Sentence For Ex-POW

Fl. Leavenworth, Kansas, Apr. 1.

A 28-year-old former prisoner of war in Korea was sentenced to 40 years today by an Army court-martial.

Rothwell B. Floyd of London, Kentucky, had been found guilty of six charges, ranging from mistreatment of other prisoners of war to striking a superior officer while in a prison camp from February 1, 1951, to August, 1953.

The sentence automatically included the forfeiture of all pay and allowances and discharge. The sentence is subject to automatic review and possible hearing by the Court of Military Appeals.

The most serious of the charges against the 270-pound, scholarly-looking negro was that of striking an officer while the latter was in performance of his duties in the prison camp.

Floyd was acquitted of charges that he dropped one prisoner over a cliff and murdered another fellow prisoner by drowning. He was found innocent also of depriving prisoners of food and two charges of stealing from sick and deceased prisoners.

The Floyd trial, which lasted more than seven weeks, marked the first time in Army history that a soldier had been court-martialed in the US for crimes allegedly committed while a prisoner of war in another country. —United Press.

Divorce For Zsa Gabor

Santa Monica, Calif., Apr. 1.

Hungarian-born actress Zsa Gabor, dressed in black and crying loudly, divorced actor George Sanders.

She told a court here that her third husband "was a born bachelor."

"He did not want to be married although I know he loved me very much," she said. "George said he wanted independence. I tried to make him happy."

Explaining her black attire, she said: "I am a little bit in mourning."

Miss Gabor was granted an interlocutory decree on a cross complaint filed after Mr. Sanders had originally sued for divorce.

Mr. Sanders did not contest Miss Gabor's suit. Miss Gabor is 48 and Mr. Sanders is in his thirties.

They were married on April 2, 1949, and separated on October 20, 1953. There was no communal property for the court to consider. —China Mail.

TRAIN ON FIRE

Seoul, Apr. 1.

A United States marine and two Koreans were injured tonight when a United Nations goods train caught fire two miles north of Seoul.

Five aviation gasoline tank cars were destroyed and seven trucks derailed. The crash disrupted traffic in both directions. —France Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"The children are very quiet! In fact sometimes they sneak up and you don't see them till they're almost on top of you!"

Senate Approves Statehood For Hawaii And Alaska

Washington, Apr. 1.

The Senate today approved legislation to grant Hawaii and Alaska statehood. The vote was 57-28.

The approval came after statehood supporters defeated a series of proposals designed to withhold full statehood status or further delay the issue which has been before Congress for 50 years.

The combined bill now goes to the House where its future is uncertain. The House has passed a Hawaii statehood bill only. Its Alaska statehood bill has been stalled in the House Rules Committee.

A floor controversy is expected over efforts to send the combined bill to a Senate-House Conference Committee. The prospect of delay is a serious threat to statehood for either territory.

The admission of Alaska and Hawaii to statehood would mean the first change in the present 48-state organization since 1912, when Arizona was admitted to the Union.

In addition, it would bring the first non-contiguous areas into the union of states. Hawaii is more than 2,000 miles away from the continental United States while there is more than 300 miles between the northernmost part of the US and the most southerly regions of Alaska.

Both territories long have wanted statehood—even though Hawaii once was an independent kingdom. They have felt that the present status leaves them in inferior position, since they are represented in the US Congress only by non-voting delegates.

If they are admitted to statehood, each will be represented by two Senators, and Alaska will have one representative in the House. Hawaii will have at least two.

BOUGHT FROM RUSSIA
Hawaii has a population of 499,794, who live in an area of 6,435 square miles. Its principal industries are sugar, pineapples, livestock and fishing, and it has a tourist trade worth \$30,000,000 annually. In 1952, the islands raised \$138,800,000 worth of sugar, \$100,000,000 worth of pineapples.

Alaska was bought from the Russians in 1867 for \$7,200,000. The deal was known at that time as "Seward's folly" after Secretary of State William H. Seward, who arranged the purchase.

But the cold, bleak country has since become a leading producer of gold, tin, platinum, antimony, tungsten, coal and oil. It has 21,000,000 acres of forest and is a beautiful supplier of fish.

Its population is still sparse—only 129,648 in an area of 586,400 square miles—but is growing steadily as modern equipment makes life more comfortable in the frigid climate.

At present, the residents of Hawaii and Alaska are full US citizens in culture, language, customs and everything but voting rights and have full voting rights when they come to the mainland.

But if statehood were granted they would have the right to vote in their own countries for the president of the US and could elect their own governors instead of having them appointed by the President. —United Press.

McCarthy Dispute Latest

Washington, Apr. 1.

The Senate Investigations Sub-committee today appointed Mr. Samuel Sears, a Boston lawyer, as special counsel for its investigation of the dispute between Senator Joseph McCarthy and high Army officials.

Senator McCarthy and Roy Cohn, chief counsel of the Sub-committee, have been accused by the Defence Department of trying to get favourable treatment for Private David Schine, formerly on the Sub-committee staff, who was called up by the Army last year.

In reply, the Senator and Mr. Cohn accused the Army of attempting to use Schine as a "hostage" in connection with the Sub-committee investigations into Communism in the Department.

The Sub-committee has had difficulty in finding a lawyer competent to undertake the inquiry and acceptable to both the Democratic and Republican members of the Sub-committee.

Republican Senator Karl Mundt, who will preside at the public and televised hearings told a press conference that he believed the unanimous selection of Mr. Sears would permit the inquiry to start within 10 days. —Reuter.

Given 12 Months' Detention

Singapore, Apr. 2.

A 21-year-old British soldier who had his nose broken by the manager of Singapore's famous Raffles Hotel after he had assaulted a woman resident of the hotel was sentenced by a court-martial here yesterday to 12 months' military detention.

The soldier, driver Lewis Edgar, 21, of No. 76 Company of the Royal Army Service Corps, was found guilty of assaulting the woman, Miss Agnes Patricia Kaiser, the manager's French maid, and of stealing the woman's purse.

The sentence is subject to confirmation. —United Press.

\$2½-MILLION DEPOSIT CLAIM

Submissions By Senior Counsel For Plaintiffs

Submissions that the debt involved in the dispute was localised because the defendant Bank was resident in the Colony were put forward by Mr John McNeill, QC, senior Counsel for the plaintiffs, in the course of his arguments in the 2½-million deposit claim before Mr Justice Reynolds in the Supreme Court this morning.

The plaintiffs, the China Mutual Trading Company, of 13-27 Ice House Street, are claiming from the Banque Belge Pour l'Etranger (Extreme-Orient), of Edinburgh House, the return (with interest) of HK\$2,590,171.96, being the balance of margins paid in connection with the importation of certain goods into Hongkong.

Alternatively, plaintiffs claim the equivalent in Hongkong dollars of US\$449,504.43, or damages.

The Defence is that the margins, at the request of the plaintiffs, had been converted into US dollars and that they were held by the defendant in US dollars in the United States. As a result of the freezing regulations passed in December, 1950, the monies had become blocked. They were paid to plaintiffs' account, which was consequently blocked, it was maintained.

Mr McNeill, Mr Percy Chen and Mr Brock A. Bernaschi, all instructed by Mr Y. H. Chan of Messrs Lau Chan and Ko, are representing the plaintiffs.

The defendants are represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almeida, QC, and Mr D. A. L. Wright, both instructed by Mr H. J. Armstrong, of Messrs Deacons. Contributing his submissions, Mr McNeill submitted that in the case of a corporation and more particularly, the branch of a bank, the debt was localised in the bank's place of residence, where the debt was to be recovered.

DEBT LOCALISED

In the first place, the debt was localised where the corporation resided, he went on, and one did not look to see if the debt was deliverable or payable in America or in American currency. This was a fundamental fallacy which the Defence had made.

After quoting from law cases on the subject, Counsel said that where the position was that of a customer and the branch of a bank, one would not recover the debt from the bank's head office, or any other branch of the bank, except that branch where the relationship with the customer is established.

Mr McNeill pointed out that the defendant Bank had no branch in America, and that both the defendant Bank and the plaintiffs were resident in Hongkong.

He submitted further that there was no evidence, at all, that in the event of judgment being delivered in favour of the plaintiffs, and the judgment was discharged in Hongkong, the plaintiffs would be able to recover the debt in the United States.

USUAL CONTRACT

The contract between the merchant and the banker who has opened a credit is a usual one, in the documents before the Court, Counsel went on. The merchant for his part undertakes to accept and pay drafts drawn in accordance with the terms of the authority to negotiate, accompanied by the stipulated documents.

That contract, as far as the financing of the merchant was concerned, is the only contract between the bank and the merchant. The bank makes its own contract with its correspondent or agent abroad, but the merchant has no contractual relationship with the bank's correspondent.

Hearing is proceeding.

DAIRY FARM'S DIVIDEND

The Directors of The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Company, Limited, announce that they will recommend at the forthcoming ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders the payment of a final dividend for the year 1953 of \$1.70 per share, less (provisional) total of \$2.70 per share, less tax, for the year.

What's His Line? Solution STAGS AND STAGS. —United Press.

Today's Gazetted Appointments

His Excellency the Governor in accordance with instructions from Her Majesty the Queen through the Secretary of State, has appointed the Hon. H. G. Richards to be an Official Member of the Legislative Council, it was announced in the Government Gazette this morning.

In another announcement the Hon. H. G. Richards was appointed Director of Urban Services and Chairman of the Urban Council, vice Mr K. M. A. Barnett.

H.E. the Governor has appointed the following to be his Honorary Aides-de-Camp: Mr D.A.R. Colborne, Assistant Superintendent of Police, and Captain A. Donaldson, Royal Artillery. It was also announced that His Excellency has approved the relinquishment of the appointment of Capt. H. L. Stamp, Royal Artillery, as his Honorary ADC.

NEW COUNCILLOR

Mr Lawrence Kadoorie has been appointed, provisionally and subject to Her Majesty's pleasure, to be an Official Member of the Legislative Council, during the absence of the Hon. C. E. M. Terry.

It was also announced that Mr R. C. Lee has been appointed to act as Commissioner, Civil Air Services, during the absence of the Commissioner, the Hon. C. E. M. Terry.

The Chancellor of the University of Hongkong has reappointed Dr. Dorsamy Kumaramany Pillai to be a Member of the Council of the University.

Other appointments gazetted were: Dr G. Graham-Cumming to act as Deputy Director of Health Services; Dr Cheung King-ho to act as Senior Health Officer; Messrs A. Baggett, S. P. H. Stewart, F. Cochrane and H. V. McCroft to act as Assistant Superintendents of Police; Messrs Lau Lai-shang, Wong Kwok-in, Chan Jim-fui and Dr Ting Su to be Education Officers; Dr Foon Yee-kit and Dr L. Cho-yuen to be Medical Officers.

It was also announced that H.E. the Governor, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has accorded formal recognition to Mr Mary W. McKenzie as Vice-Consul for the United States of America at Hongkong.

Disruptive Harbour Fog

A heavy fog blanketed the Hongkong harbour area this morning causing disruption to sea and air communications.

According to the Royal Observatory, forecasters at Kai Tak, the visibility shortly after 11 a.m. in the area was three to five miles. During periods in the morning neither side of the harbour was visible to the other.

The fog horn and direction beacon at Waglan Island were turned on at 3.05 a.m. sounding and flashing warning signals to shipping at intervals of every three minutes. Up to noon no ship had entered or left the harbour.

According to the weather forecasters the fog was caused by a moist east-south-east air current coming in from the Pacific which became cool when it reached the Colony. He added that the fog will lift temporarily, this afternoon, but is expected to re-form tonight.

Film Star Held

Chicago, Apr. 1.

Lila Lee, former film actress, was held on an open charge today after she was accused with her man of a "hustler" role in her apartment. —United Press.

Tonight's Centenary Dinner

The attention of ex-members of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps is drawn to the fact that the centenary dinner will be held at 8 o'clock tonight at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and not at the Hongkong Club as reported in our morning contemporary. The cricket match against the new Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps will be played on Sunday next at the Hongkong Cricket Club, beginning at 11.30 a.m.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times. For details of rates and times of posting, enquire at the local office. The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2	
By Air	
Indo-China, 6 p.m.	
Japan, U.S.A. & Canada, 6 p.m.	
Surfaced	
Malaya, 6 p.m.	
SATURDAY, APRIL 3	
By Air	
N. Hornsea, Australia, New Zealand, 8 a.m.	
Malaya, 8 a.m.	
Philippines, 10 a.m.	
Sumatra, 10 a.m.	
Thailand, 10 a.m.	
East Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 10 a.m.	
By Surface	
China, People's Republic, 830 a.m.	
Japan, 8 a.m.	
Malaya, 8 a.m.	
Philippines, 2 p.m.	
Sumatra, 2 p.m.	
Thailand, 2 p.m.	
East Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 5 p.m.	
By Air	
Formosa & Canada, 1 p.m.	
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 2 p.m.	
Indo-China, Malaya, Indonesia, 3 p.m.	
Japan, 3 p.m.	
Philippines, 5 p.m.	
Sumatra, 5 p.m.	
Thailand, 5 p.m.	
East Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 8 p.m.	

Police Prevent Demonstrations

Rome, Apr. 1.

Police were alerted at strategic points all over Rome today to discourage demonstrations by striking transport workers.

The city's municipal transport was paralysed by a 24-hour strike, which started at midnight last night.

The stoppage was the latest of a long series which has punctuated demands for more pay from tram and bus workers. Thousands of people had to walk to work this morning. —Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 6, Time Signal and Programme Summary: 6.05, Contact-A Radio Magazine for the young generation with News, Views, Interviews, Stories and Music produced by the Hongkong Broadcasting Corporation. Cantonese by Radio, Lesson 18 prepared by S. K. Lee assisted by Denise Bray and Jack Ward (Recorded): 6.45, Jack Ward's Little Oath with Mary Howlands and Bill Brown (Recorded): 7.15, Artist of the Week—Giorgio De Vito (voice): 7.30, "Twenty Questions" (Recorded): 7.45, The Radio Hongkong Question Master: Patrick Butler, the team: Anne Marie, Faith, Brian, Horace, Paddy, Sheehan (Recorded): 7.55, Weather Report: 8, Time Signal and Weather News (London Relay): 8.15, News Talk (London Relay): 8.30, Special Announcements: 8.15, Music by S. K. Lee (Recorded): 8.45, "Looking Back" presented by the British Council (Studio): 8.55, Time Signal: 9.00, Conducted by: 9.15, Artist of the Week—Giorgio De Vito (voice): 9.30, "Twenty Questions" (Recorded): 9.45, The Radio Hongkong Question Master: Patrick Butler, the team: Anne Marie, Faith, Brian, Horace, Paddy, Sheehan (Recorded): 9.55, Weather Report: 10, Time Signal and Weather News (London Relay): 10.15, Goodnight Music: God Save the Queen: 10.30, Close Down.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7
In his last talk in the 1953 Radio Lecture series from Radio Hongkong, at 10 p.m. today, Professor Arnold Toynbee speaks of the world's encounter with the Greeks and Romans. He says that the world is now in the midst of a new encounter with the Greeks and Romans.